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hardison/downey construction earns 2005 Building Blocks of the Community Award

General Contractor recognized for Assistance League of Phoenix project

Phoenix – (August 23, 2005) The Arizona Registrar of Contractors Industry Advisory Council (IAC) has awarded hardison/downey construction, inc. the *2005 Building Blocks of the Community Award* for their work on the Assistance League of Phoenix Philanthropic Center construction project. The award was presented at the 2005 Awards & Banquet at the Wigwam Resort & Golf Club in Litchfield Park on August 20. This is the second annual Building Blocks of the Community Award.

The winning project was hardison/downey’s 2004 pro bono project which consisted of the remodel of an existing church/union hall into the new headquarters and Philanthropic Center for the Assistance League of Phoenix. The project included both interior and exterior renovation of the building, and features the Suns Reading Room, donated by the Phoenix Suns. In addition to hardison/downey, a number of Valley subcontractors also donated a generous amount of time and money to make this a successful project. The total amount donated by hardison/downey and all of its subcontractors on this project was \$225,000.

“Receiving this award is an honor,” said Bob Hardison, president of hardison/downey construction. “We are humbled to be recognized for our work on this building for an organization that we strongly believe in, and we thank all of our subcontractors who participated in this project.”

“We are so glad to see hardison/downey recognized for the truly outstanding job they did in the renovation of our Philanthropic Center,” said Jean Morrison, president of the Assistance League of Phoenix. “Their work will touch the lives of many thousands of children and families in need in the years to come.”

About hardison/downey construction, inc.

hardison/downey construction, inc. provides general contracting services and operates two divisions, Shell and Renovation/Interior Improvement. Their specialty areas include office, back office, retail, restaurant, resort, multi-family, manufacturing, high-tech, laboratory, and distribution. For more information, visit their Website at www.hardisondowney.com.

About Assistance League of Phoenix

Assistance League of Phoenix is an all-volunteer organization serving adults and children in need within the greater Phoenix community. They have been helping people in the Valley for more than 40 years. Their philanthropic projects provide services to more than 16,000 people each year, including providing new school clothing for 3,000 children in need each year. For more information, visit their Website at <http://phoenix.assistanceleague.org>.

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