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Simpson Strong-Tie Supports Construction Trades Education through Local High School Engineering and Construction Academy Partnership

Pleasanton, Calif. – To promote and support students pursuing careers in the construction trades, Simpson Strong-Tie has partnered with Lincoln High School's Engineering and Construction Academy in Stockton, California. The company has offices, a manufacturing facility and training center, along with its state-of-the-art Tyrell Gilb Research Lab, twenty minutes away from the Academy.

The partnership between the Academy and Simpson Strong-Tie began in 2014. The company's support includes donations of Simpson Strong-Tie product, building and scrap materials, student field trips, a scholarship program and internships. The company recently hosted two students at its Pleasanton headquarters for a week-long paid internship and has hired an Academy student for a summer internship at its Stockton location.

Lincoln High School Engineering and Construction Academy is a "school within a school" that provides educational opportunities for students interested in pursuing careers in the building trades and construction industry. The curriculum includes coursework, hands-on training and career paths directly related to jobs in construction.

"It has been a fantastic partnership between Simpson Strong-Tie and our Academy. The company has provided incredible opportunities for our students and we are thrilled to have two former students now working at the Stockton facility. We are looking forward to continuing to work with Simpson Strong-Tie in the future," said Jeff Wright, director of Lincoln High School Engineering and Construction Academy.

"Supporting students in the Academy is a great way to build interest in the trades as well as familiarize potential future customers about our products. We're excited to be able to help the Academy reach its goal of 'building a workforce for California' through hands-on projects and real work experience," said Simpson Strong-Tie Vice-President and Stockton Branch Manager Bruce Lewis.

About Simpson Strong-Tie Company Inc.

For more than 55 years, Simpson Strong-Tie has focused on creating structural products that help people build safer and stronger homes and buildings. Considered a leader in structural systems research, testing and innovation, Simpson Strong-Tie works closely with industry professionals to provide code-listed, field-tested products and value-engineered solutions. Its structural products are recognized for helping structures resist high winds, hurricanes and seismic forces. The company's extensive product offering includes engineered structural connectors, fasteners, fastening systems, lateral-force resisting systems, anchors and products that repair, protect and strengthen concrete. From product development and testing to training and engineering and field support, Simpson Strong-Tie is committed to helping customers succeed. For more information, visit strongtie.com and follow us at facebook.com/strongtie or at twitter.com/strongtie.

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