

## VECTOR COMMUNICATIONS WINS NATIONAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP AWARD



National Black MBA Association and Wells Fargo representatives present a check to Laurina Goodwin (shown in a brown suit) and Jessica Perkins (wearing a green scarf).

Vector Communications Corporation, a St. Louis-based public engagement and communications consulting firm, received the NMBBAA (National Black MBA Association)/Wells Fargo Entrepreneur Excellence Award during the National Black MBA Association's conference in Washington, D.C.

Vector was selected from a nationwide

pool and evaluated based on its business performance, innovation, growth and personal service to the community. The company's cofounders, Laurina Godwin and Jessica Perkins, accepted the award, which included a \$5,000 check.

"We are honored to be recognized for Vector's work in advancing learning, dialogue and positive change between governments, corporations and non-profits and the communities they serve," stated Godwin.

The other award recipient was Ashtae Products Inc. of Greensboro, N.C.

"We are delighted to honor two recipients this year," stated Barbara L. Thomas, president and CEO of the NMBBAA. "Our award winners are solid examples of how entrepreneurs can turn interests and proficiencies into enterprise. It is even more laudable that both of

these small businesses have found time and resources to introduce and nurture endeavors that serve and strengthen their communities, making them true role models."

Vector was nominated by one of its employees, Paula Hughes, who received a \$1,500 award. The St. Louis chapter of the NMBBAA received a \$1,000 check.

### CORRECTION:

In the November 2008 issue of *Commerce Magazine* in the "Construction Roundup" section, the general contractor for the UMSL South Campus Parking Garage project should have been listed as Tarlton Corporation.

And for The Tudor Building project, the architect should have been listed as Klitzing Welsch Associates.

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