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### **Local Small Business SCORES Chameleon Technologies Recipient of SCORE, Counselors to America's Small Business HERO Award**

**SEATTLE WA**, The Seattle Chapter of SCORE, U.S. Small Business Administration's volunteer arm for providing technical assistance to business owners, will award their 102d HERO Award to Chameleon Technologies of Kirkland, WA. Co-founders Melissa Action and Mike Luckenbaugh will be recognized at the SCORE Chapter meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup> in downtown Seattle.

Chameleon Technologies was established to build a staffing business with the highest standard of customer satisfaction at its core with long-standing relationships at its foundation. Today, with an office of more than 45 team members, Chameleon Technologies is a talent force in the Pacific Northwest, placing technically – skilled professionals within companies that span a variety of industries. The company was recognized in 2006 as one of the area's fastest growing companies, boosting an increase in revenue during a three-year period (2003, 2004, 2005) of over 350 percent. This growth continued during 2006, with an increase of 165 percent.

An advocate of creating diverse workplaces, Chameleon has obtained certification as a Combined Business Enterprise (50% minority/ 50% woman owned business) and Disadvantage Business Enterprise. Chameleon is one of only ten Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in the state.

The HERO program was established by SCORE Counselors in 1990 to identify and recognize successful small business firms. The selection criteria measure each candidate according to revenue, profitability, growth, years in business, as well as, innovation, problem solving and service to the community.

Past HERO recipients include Isernio Sausage, the Herb Farm, Brown Bear Car Wash and Lombardi's Restaurants. For more information on the HERO program and SCORE's counseling and training programs visit [www.seattlescore.org](http://www.seattlescore.org) or call 206-553-7321.