

## Local News

# SCORE finds new home

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The Tri-Lakes Business Incubator announced it will be the home of SCORE Chapter 206's newest branch office in the Tri-Lakes area.

An objective of the Tri-Lakes Business Incubator, Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce and Tri-Lakes Economic Development Corporation has been to expand the number of local businesses to provide more employment in the community and allow

residents the option of avoiding the commute to Colorado Springs or Denver.

This makes the Tri-Lakes Business Incubator the perfect home for SCORE's new branch office location. SCORE is America's premier source of free & confidential small business advice for entrepreneurs. SCORE, a resource partner to the U.S. Small Business Administration, was formed in 1964 to help small businesses flourish.

SCORE provides a public service to entrepreneurs by offering free and confidential small business counseling and training. SCORE volunteers, who are retired and working executives, will offer confidential advice in one-on-one counseling sessions at the Tri-Lakes Business Incubator as well as present SCORE Workshops and Seminars at the Tri-Lakes Business Incubator.

The Tri-Lakes area is currently home to a large num-

ber of artists, small business owners and entrepreneurs who work out of their homes. One opportunity for the Tri-Lakes area to further develop its local business base is by supporting these local home-based business owners and providing services to assist them in growing their businesses and creating employment in the region.

Following a successful economic development model used by many other communities, the Tri-Lakes Business

Incubator has been established to meet this objective. The Tri-Lakes Business Incubator and SCORE's new northern branch office is located at the Woodcarvers Suites at the south-west corner of Monument close to the I-25 Baptist Road exit.

The Tri-Lakes Business Incubator offers economically priced business suites, administrative support, conference and meeting space for emerging businesses and the community.

A board of volunteers from SCORE and the Tri-Lakes business community is available to provide advisory services to local business owners. Monthly training courses are also held at the Tri-Lakes Business Incubator facilities on subjects of interest to the local small business community. More information on the Tri-Lakes Business Incubator and SCORE is available on their Web sites at [www.trilakesbi.com](http://www.trilakesbi.com) and [www.coloradospringsscore.org](http://www.coloradospringsscore.org).