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The Sutter County One-Stop has moved back to its home at the Career Training and Education Center on Wilbur Avenue.

Formerly on Plumas Street in Yuba City, the business services center was able to return to its original location after Feather River Academy students transferred to their new facility on Klamath Lane.

CTEC housed at-risk students in the Feather River Academy for more than 10 years, until the \$8.9 million school was completed.

CTEC was born the Career Placement Center in March 1984 in a small building on Live Oak Boulevard, said Jeanne Busch, administrative secretary for the center.

As it grew, it not only changed locations four years later, but its name as

well, to become the Career Training and Education Center on Wilbur Avenue.

"CTEC is the original One-Stop," Busch said. "Then it branched out and we separated the One-Stop Business Center (in 2000), and now it's all been brought back to one location."

The CTEC building also got a makeover in July by students in the Workforce Investment Act youth program and paint donated by Jeff's Paint in Yuba City.

Joe DeAndrea, director of CTEC, said owner Jeff Letherman taught the four students how to scrape, tape and paint a commercial structure.

"The facelift gave this place a brand new, professional look," DeAndrea said. "This place looks real cutesy now. That ugly gray was so bad, it looked so depressing."

DeAndrea said the merging of all programs at CTEC is even more beneficial to those who use the services.

He named several programs that are now housed in the large structure, including the Health Careers program, business services, adult education, special education classes and offices and the Workforce Investment program.

CTEC is located at 256 Wilbur Ave. Classes begin at the center Aug. 22. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, call 822-5120.

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