

LOCAL ECONOMY UPDATE

\$1,296,000 spent in County by RSE Students in 2007

Ramtha's School of Enlightenment Contributes to Local Economy

During the second quarter of 2007, 767 RSE students from all over the world visited the City of Yelm and its surroundings to participate in various events of interest at Ramtha's School of Enlightenment (RSE). Simultaneous foreign translation in six languages (Dutch, French, German, Italian, Japanese, and Spanish) were provided to these students during the popular summer event, the Beginning Retreats, and other events.



Shown above, JZ Knight, owner of Ramtha's School of Enlightenment and channel of Ramtha, teaching the audience at RSE.

Students are asked to fill out a demographics form during events that list the amount of money spent locally in the following categories: Transportation (car rentals, local airport shuttles, RV rentals), Gasoline, Groceries, Restaurants, Lodgings, Camping supplies (tents, sleeping bags, clothing, other supplies), Purchases on campus (not including event registration costs), House/pet sitting, Storage, and Childcare. These demographic records are open to the public for review and audit upon request.

From the three major events in the second quarter of 2007 where data was collected, the total local purchases and expenses listed by 767 students, without including event registration costs, reached \$362,993 USD, an average of \$473 per student. More than one quarter of a million dollars were generated with three major events during this period.

In the first quarter of 2007, a total of \$933,000, almost one million dollars, were spent by 2,068 RSE students visiting the local community, an average of \$451 per student. In the second quarter, the average contribution per student increased to \$473. Overall, a total of \$1,296,000 USD has been contributed to the local community by 2,835 RSE students year-to-date.

Ramtha's School is very pleased to know its school classes and events are generating a significant contribution to the local Yelm area economy. Each year the school holds several events such as these where the economy of Yelm and its vicinity is greatly uplifted.

We appreciate all the local businesses that supported our students with their goods and services while they visited our area. Thank You!

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