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Marking a quarter century

Jasmine Azima started her venture in entrepreneurship and engineering in her 20's, and now she is celebrating 25 years since founding **Jasmine Engineering** in San Antonio. The firm also has an office in Austin, and Azima has residences in both cities.

Though she has continuously done work in Austin since 1985, she opened a satellite office here in 1992.

"I went to UT, so I didn't want to let go of Austin," she said.

Originally from the Middle East, she moved to Texas to attend college at the University of Texas in Austin for engineering. She obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering in 1981 and worked for a company in Houston that also had a branch in Austin. After working her way up to the level of CEO and president of the board by the young age of 23, she decided to start her own



Owner of Jasmine Engineering, Jasmine Azima

business in 1984.

"I am fortunate that I gained a lot of confidence of the people even though being a woman engineer was not traditional," Azima said.

Some of the passions she has integrated into her work are education and community service.

"We do a lot for schools and children. It brings me joy," Azima said.

Jasmine Engineering has completed more than 600 K-12 projects over the years.

She is also a community advocate for the American Heart Association and many other associations. Though she says she spends much time on work, she enjoys traveling, running and the outdoors in her spare time.

In addition to engineering, *Jasmine Engineering specializes in total building commissioning, energy conservation and project management.* -km