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To: Housing Partners and Community Leaders

From: Victor Merced, Director

Subject: 2007 Excellence in Housing Awards

Since 1993, Oregon Housing and Community Services has been challenging individuals and organizations throughout Oregon to "Set the Standard" by developing affordable housing, offering programs and providing services to meet the daily needs of lower-income Oregonians.

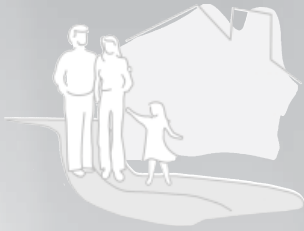
This challenge has not gone unmet. Through the efforts of housing developers, community service organizations, housing authorities, and others, many lower income Oregonians now find their daily challenges less overwhelming. They now have access to necessary supportive services and can call home a place where they feel safe, interact with their neighbors, and have become a part of a community.

These efforts should not go without recognition. Speak up and nominate the leaders, organizations, volunteers, or good Samaritans in your communities that constantly go the extra mile to make positive impacts. Help us celebrate their successes by ensuring they receive the recognition they deserve.

Nominations will be accepted through **March 15, 2007**. Help us celebrate these efforts at the 2007 Oregon Housing Conference on Wednesday, April 25, 2007 in Salem.

For additional information on the OHCS Excellence Awards programs, visit our website at <http://www.ohcs.oregon.gov/>.

If you have questions on the awards, the guidelines or nomination process, please contact Sandy McDonnell at 503.986.2012 or by email at sandy.mcdonnell@hcs.state.or.us.



2007 Excellence in Housing Awards Call for Nominations

Oregon Housing and Community Services Excellence in Housing Awards recognize outstanding contributions to affordable housing for Oregonians. Award recipients will be announced during the 2007 Oregon Housing Conference on April 24 - 25, 2007.

Eligibility

Nominees may be individuals, not-for-profit or for-profit corporations, real estate professionals, loan officers, builders, developers, local government, members of the media, architects, community development corporations or any other interested person(s) in Oregon. OHCS staff members are not eligible for nomination.

Individuals, organizations or projects cannot have been submitted for the *Excellence Awards* during the 2006 award cycle. Projects submitted for the *Excellence in Housing Awards* will not be eligible to be submitted for the *Excellence in Community Services Awards*.

Nominations

Awards will be made at the discretion of Oregon Housing and Community Services from the categories listed. Awards may not be given in every category. Please indicate the category for the nomination on the form provided. There is no limit to the number of individuals or organizations you can nominate, but nominees are limited to *one category only*.

Nominees must have been instrumental in creating and/or supporting affordable housing, implementing housing-related programs, or helping others resolve housing problems.

Include your name, address and daytime telephone number. Also include your nominee's address and telephone number as well as the name of a contact person, if applicable.

There is no nomination fee. All entries must be received by the March 15, 2007 deadline to be eligible. You may submit supporting documentation; however, we will not be able to return the materials. Please provide pictures of projects, persons or activities if possible.

For more information about the OHCS Excellence Awards, contact Sandy McDonnell at 503.986.2012 or visit our website at www.ohcs.oregon.gov. Speech or hearing impaired persons may call OHCS at 503.986.2100.

Deadline: March 15, 2007

Criteria

Entries will be judged by an impartial panel on the following criteria:

- ◆ cost effective production
- ◆ achieving affordable rent levels
- ◆ innovative financing
- ◆ attractive design and architecture
- ◆ inclusion of tenant services or amenities

The *Excellence in Housing* awards are presented for outstanding achievement during the last two years to promote, provide, sponsor, finance and develop affordable housing in Oregon.

Categories

- Housing Revitalization
- Integration of Services Into Housing
- Preserving Affordable Housing
- Special Needs Housing (Small Developments)*
- Special Needs Housing (Large Developments)*

*For the purpose of these awards:
Small Developments are defined as 10 or fewer units and
Large Developments are defined as above 10 units.*

Send Entries to:

Sandy McDonnell
503.986.2012 Fax: 503.986.2020
Oregon Housing and Community Services
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Nominations

Please use this form for each nomination. There is no limit on the number of individual(s) or organizations(s) you can nominate. You may copy this form as many times as necessary. The awards will be presented during the 2007 Oregon Housing Conference on April 24 - 25, 2007.

Categories—Please choose **one** from the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing Revitalization | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Needs Housing (Small Developments)* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Integration of Services Into Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Needs Housing (Large Developments)* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Preserving Affordable Housing | |

Submitted By:

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone/Email Address: _____

Nominee:

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone/Email Address: _____

On a separate page, please describe why you feel this individual or organization should be recognized. *(Please see the award criteria)*. Your nomination information will be the only basis upon which the nominee is judged, so please be as specific as possible. Please submit photos if possible. Materials submitted will not be returned. **For the purpose of these awards: Small Developments are defined as 10 or fewer units and Large Developments are defined as above 10 units.*

Mail or fax the completed nomination information to:
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DEADLINE

Nominations must be received
no later than 5:00 p.m. on

March 15, 2007