

Lt. Governor's Awards for Excellence in Affordable Housing Presented at the Indiana Housing Conference Awards Luncheon

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In August at the Indiana Housing Conference awards luncheon, the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA) awarded four Indiana properties with the Lt. Governor's Excellence in Affordable Housing Awards. Presented to the most outstanding properties in four categories, these awards celebrate the best in Indiana affordable housing development.

"I'm pleased to congratulate the development teams of the four properties selected for their innovative approaches and effective solutions to providing affordable housing in Indiana," said Lt. Governor Eric Holcomb who serves as the board chair for IHCDA. "Through their planning and collaboration these new developments are great examples of how affordable housing can positively impact a community."

IHCDA accepted the nominations for the Lt. Governor's Awards for Excellence in Affordable Housing. IHCDA and the Indiana Affordable Housing Council (IAHC) then organized a six-member judging panel to evaluate the nominations. ■

THIS YEAR'S AWARD RECIPIENTS ARE:

Urban Housing – The Barton Block; Indianapolis, Indiana



The Barton Block is a mixed-use development including 19,000 square feet of new retail space and 125 units of new affordable and market-rate housing, as well as 372 rehabbed public housing units.

Rural Housing – Canal Commons; Delphi, Indiana



Canal Commons is a 44-unit affordable housing project which features multi-family housing in two Delphi locations. Residents benefit from on-site services including Medicare counseling, a home-delivered meals program for seniors and low-cost medical equipment loans.

Special Needs Housing – Walnut Commons; Muncie, Indiana



Walnut Commons provides 44-units of permanent supportive housing in a setting which includes collaborative or wraparound services such as health care, case management and skills development.

Senior Housing – Hawthorne Hills Senior Apartments; Nashville, Indiana



Hawthorne Hills provides 57 units of senior housing in an environment which allows seniors to live more affordable, productive and independent lives while aging in place among family and friends.

Moving Forward 2.0 Participants Announced

During the awards luncheon the two participants in the Moving Forward 2.0 program were also announced. The Area IV Agency on Aging and Community Action Programs and Community Action of Greater Indianapolis (CAGI), were the two participants selected. Both are Community Action Agencies (CAAs) in Indiana. They will work with developers to create affordable, energy efficient affordable housing along with transportation options. The Moving Forward program was first introduced in 2015, and is designed to create housing that increases quality of life while decreasing the cost of living for low to moderate income individuals and families. Moving Forward was endorsed in 2015 as a Bicentennial Legacy Project.



MOVING FORWARD

A systems approach to affordable housing and transportation



The Barton Block award recipients



Walnut Commons award recipients



Outstanding Resident Volunteer Award winner John "Billy" Young is pictured with IAHC Leadership Award winner Eric Frey following the awards luncheon.



Hawthorne Hills Senior Apartments award recipients