



Excellence in Partnership: Chattanooga Neighborhood Revitalization Partnership, Chattanooga

3East Tomorrow is the redevelopment of three of Chattanooga's most historic neighborhoods – Bushtown, Glenwood and Orchard Knob, all of which are just east of downtown. To achieve this goal, the Chattanooga Neighborhood Revitalization Partnership was formed, consisting of the City of Chattanooga Department of Neighborhood Services, Mayor Ron Littlefield's office, Chattanooga Neighborhood Enterprise, Community Impact of Chattanooga and The Lyndhurst Foundation. Homes in the 3East Tomorrow area showcase a varied of architectural styles, sell for a range of prices and consist of both new construction and high-quality renovations. The neighborhood served as a pilot for Chattanooga's Better Built standard for energy and water efficiency and all contractors received scholarships from the Lyndhurst Foundation for training and certification in this construction standard.



Outstanding Advocate: Tim Bolding, Executive Director United Housing Inc.

Through his efforts and leadership, Tim Bolding, Executive Director of United Housing, has significantly increased the quantity and quality of affordable housing in Memphis while serving as an example that this can be done in an efficient and productive way. During this period, he has also been a leader in his community in building coalitions that have effectively increased the ability of Memphis to deal with its housing problems. Tim has also acted as an advocate nationally through his leadership in the national NeighborWorks organization. Truly Tim has achieved remarkable success for United Housing and for the City of Memphis, while always demonstrating a humble, servant disposition. We should all aspire to be such a leader.



Remarkable Achievement - Urban: Wesley at Millington Towers, Millington

Wesley at Millington Towers is home to 80 extremely low and very low income elderly families in Shelby County, in the heart of Millington. This community receives remarkable support from various municipal offices such as the mayor coming to celebrate special occasions and the fire department judging chili competitions. The residents have a computer lab and the resident association has set up a boutique where they sell items to raise funds for trips. In 2011, Wesley at Millington Towers received a Green Retrofit Grant of \$1.2 million, leading to substantial updating and improving in all the units and common areas. The building now has state of the art sustainable construction throughout while not sacrificing looks, allowing the families to live in a luxurious apartment that is also a model of sustainability.



Remarkable Achievement - Rural: Eastern 8 Community Development Corporation, Johnson City

The mission of Eastern Eight Community Development Corporation is to fulfill housing needs for low to moderate income families, making homeownership a reality for a multitude of people while serving Carter, Greene, Hancock, Hawkins, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, and Washington Counties. During 2011, Eastern Eight has put together mortgage packages for 11 families, 7 of whom were very low income. To date, they have sold more than 150 homes throughout the Northeast Tennessee region, adding an estimated \$11.9 million to the region's property tax base. Eastern Eight provides homebuyer education and down payment assistance also, working with a range of partners such as USDA Rural Development, the Federation of Appalachian Housing Enterprises, the Kingsport Housing and Redevelopment Authority, THDA, the Federal Home Loan Bank, the Appalachian Regional Commission on Homelessness and many others. Their contribution to housing those in need of assistance in the northeastern region of Tennessee is unsurpassed.



Remarkable Achievement - Urban: Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency, Nashville

Nance Place is an apartment community located within the Rolling Mill Hill redevelopment neighborhood just south of downtown Nashville. The Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency developed Nance Place as a workforce property and funded it through a variety of tax credits, private funds and HUD HOME funds. Nance Place consists of 58 one-bedroom, 39 two-bedroom and 12 three-bedroom units. The development is accessible to downtown through bus service and walking, and also provides an underground parking garage for 109 vehicles. The project includes many forward-thinking environmentally-conscious features. In just four months, Nance Place was 100% leased. It fills a unique niche in the housing options available to workers looking for affordable, convenient and socially responsible housing in Nashville.



Best in Innovation: Volunteer Ministry Center, Inc. and Southeastern Housing Foundation for Minvilla Manor, Knoxville

The Minvilla Manor permanent supportive housing development preserved a rare example of early 20th century townhomes and has contributed to the ongoing revitalization of Downtown North Knoxville and its adjacent historic neighborhoods. Originally constructed in 1913, Minvilla Manor is a 57-unit permanent supportive housing complex that was developed as part of the city/county Ten year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness. Volunteer Ministry Center, working in conjunction with Southeastern Housing Foundation and several other partner organizations was transformed from being severely dilapidated using creative and complex financing including tax-exempt bonds, low income housing credits, historic tax credits, other federal funding sources and a City of Knoxville 20-year Payment-in-lieu-of-taxes. Many original historic architectural features were preserved while at the same time achieving Energy Star for Homes certification. Minvilla Manor is a beautiful example of what can be accomplished through partnerships and perseverance.