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HousingIowa Awards Showcase the Best in Iowa Affordable Housing Initiatives

5th annual HousingIowa awards honor outstanding housing initiatives throughout Iowa

(Des Moines, Iowa) – Two outstanding Iowa housing initiatives and two individuals from throughout the state were recently recognized with HousingIowa Awards at the 2012 HousingIowa Conference, presented by the Iowa Finance Authority in Des Moines.

“Congratulations to the 2012 HousingIowa award recipients for their exceptional work in advancing affordable housing in Iowa,” said Iowa Finance Authority Executive Director Dave Jamison. “These initiatives showcase outstanding examples of affordable housing projects that our state needs to move affordable housing opportunities forward for all Iowans.”

The HousingIowa Awards recognize outstanding programs, projects and people for their leadership and innovation in advancing affordable housing development in Iowa. The three categories include: Multifamily, Single-Family and Legislative Friend of Housing Award.

In addition to the HousingIowa Awards, the Kay Anderson Friend of Iowa Award, which was founded in 2008 when the state of Iowa lost an exceptional community development advocate with the passing of Kay Anderson. A resident of LeMars and long-time member of the IFA Board of Directors, Kay is remembered for her kindness to others and commitment to the success of programs that helped make Iowa a better place. This award recognizes an individual who encompasses Kay’s outstanding qualities.

An independent panel of judges deemed the following 2012 HousingIowa Award winners:

☐ **Multifamily Development**

Riverpoint Lofts, Hubbell Realty Company

Contact: Rick Tollakson, CEO, Hubbell Realty Company: 515-243-3228

☐ **Single-Family Development**

Sioux Center Land Development

Contact: Rob Kroese, President, Sioux Center Land Development: 712-722-3375

☐ **Legislative Friend of Housing Award**

Senator Matt McCoy, Iowa State Senate

Contact: Senator Matt McCoy: 515-274-0561

☐ **5th Annual Kay Anderson Friend of Iowa Award**

Steven C. Anderson, Hawkeye Title & Settlement Services

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More information about the HousingIowa Conference is available at www.IFAMeetings.com

The Iowa Legislature created The Iowa Finance Authority, the state’s housing finance agency, in 1975 to undertake programs to assist in the attainment of housing for low- and moderate-income Iowans. Since then, the Iowa Finance Authority’s role has grown to include nearly 50 affordable housing and water quality programs. The Iowa Finance Authority is a self-supporting public agency whose mission is to finance, administer, advance and preserve affordable housing and to promote community and economic development for Iowans.