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Community Housing Network receives two state-wide honors for its housing counseling resources success

Troy, MI – Community Housing Network received two state awards recognizing the nonprofit’s work in housing counseling resources at the Building Michigan Communities conference in Lansing, April 29-May 1.

MSHDA honored CHN as the Homeownership Counseling Program Agency of the Year and the Community Economic Development Association of Michigan (CEDAM) and Americorps’ Michigan Foreclosure Prevention Corps honored CHN as the Host Site of the Year.

“CHN’s dedicated housing counseling team has responded to the needs of the communities we serve by helping households realize the dream of homeownership while saving homes through foreclosure prevention services,” said C.J. Felton, CHN’s director of Resource Development and Communications. “Our organization has also been fortunate to host three Michigan Foreclosure Prevention Corps AmeriCorps members over the past two years. Their professionalism and sincere desire to help people in need has made a positive impact on our organization, and enabled us to expand our foreclosure prevention services.”

Since February 1, 2012, CHN’s Housing Counseling department of nine full-and part-time staff members has been able to assist more than 1,376 individuals by providing services to more than 900 households inquiring about Foreclosure Prevention, 246 Homebuyer Education class attendees and homebuyer counseling participants, and 230 Financial Education workshop and individual counseling participants.

Through collaboration with community partners, CHN has also taken a leadership role between the Oakland County Treasurer and SE Michigan counseling agencies to provide tax delinquency assistance through Step Forward Michigan. To date, CHN has been contacted by more than 550 homeowners seeking Step Forward information and application help.

*Community Housing Network is a nonprofit organization committed to providing homes for people in need through proven strategies of homelessness prevention, housing assistance and development, community education and referral, advocacy and additional services. The organization carries out its work in Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties. For more information, visit [http://www.communityhousingnetwork.org](http://www.communityhousingnetwork.org).*

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