# MICHIGAN CAMPUS COMPACT



# CARTER PARTNERSHIP AWARD

Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Partnership Award for Campus-Community Collaboration

The Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Partnership Award is given annually by Michigan Campus Compact (MCC) for Campus-Community Collaboration to one exceptional partnership involving a Michigan college or university and a community group that work together to produce measurable improvements in people's lives and enhance learning in the process. This award is a partnership between MCC and the Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Partnership Foundation, and is supported by generous sponsorships. The winning program receives \$10,000, divided equally between the campus and community partners.



#### -Purpose of the Award -

- Honor a sustained higher education and community commitment that has resulted in tangible community impact.
- Provide recognition for outstanding campus-community partnerships in Michigan.
- Increase the number and the effectiveness of campus-community partnerships and promote college/university citizenship.
- Encourage cooperation among education, community, government, and business leaders on critical social and economic issues.
- Increase public awareness of and support for campus-community partnerships.

#### -AWARD GUIDELINES-

The Carter Partnership Award recognizes campus and community groups that work together to produce measurable improvements in people's lives and to enhance learning in the process. To be a candidate for the award, a partnership should have a strong combination of the following:

- Collaboration between a Michigan college or university (public or private) and the community for at least two years.
- · A history of shared power and decision-making.
- Impact on the lives of families and communities through increased economic opportunity, resourceful social and civic networks or responsive public systems.
- Data-informed planning and decision-making.
- An optimal blend of learning, research and/or service for higher education participants.
- Efforts to enlist other collaborators (e.g. businesses, civic organizations, government agencies, faith-based institutions).
- Documentation of measurable outcomes.
- Promise of sustainability.

An independent selection committee composed of representatives from community, higher education, business and government organizations will select three finalists and winner of the Carter Partnership Award. The committee makes its selection based on the combined merits of each program, giving careful consideration to how closely the program applicants match the award criteria.





All applications for the Carter Partnership Award must be submitted electronically by October 30, 2009. You may visit the web site at **www.micampuscompact.org/carterawards.asp** to download the application materials. Finalists will be notified in December and the award will be presented at the Institute for Service-Learning on February 9, 2010. For additional information, please contact:

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#### 2009 CARTER PARTNERSHIP AWARD WINNER

### **Grand Valley State University – Westown Jubilee Housing**

Westown Jubilee Housing and the GVSU School of Engineering partnership is a covenantal collaboration in which Westown Jubilee provides a supply of housing projects with energy management needs and challenges and the School of Engineering provides innovative solutions for those challenges. Within the partnership, engineering students and faculty provide leadership and labor to enhance the energy performance of these homes. It benefits community members directly and it also provides an opportunity for engineering students to become better citizens by using service as an education tool.

## 2009 FINALISTS

Grand Valley State University and Westown Jubilee Housing



Kellogg Community College and HandsOn Battle Creek



University of Michigan - Ann Arbor and SOS Community Services, Ozone House & COPE Alternative School

