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CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE IN ENERGY CODE COMPLIANCE AWARD, 2014

Now in its third year, the Standard Bearers Award program is presented by IMT and the International Code Council (ICC). The award seeks to recognize a state, local jurisdiction, and individual who are using cost-effective strategies to achieve energy code compliance and energy use reductions. Energy code compliance refers to whether a building meets the provision of the energy code during design and construction phases.



IMT and ICC are proud to recognize the 2014 Standard Bearers Award winners. Their hard work helps raise the bar for energy code compliance and lights the way to safer, stronger, and more energy-efficient buildings. Read more about them below.

MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION
STATE JURISDICTION WINNER

Mississippi recently adopted its first state-wide energy code, making it one of the only state-wide codes in Mississippi. With a renewed focus, the state is set to become a leader in energy efficiency in the Southeast and has earned recognition as one of the most-improved states in ACEEE's most recent state energy efficiency scorecard.

The Mississippi Development Authority's (MDA) Energy and Natural Resources Division realized early on that when it comes to energy codes, local problems require local solutions. That's why the MDA implemented a comprehensive code training regimen that includes local experts to train the design, construction, and enforcement communities, along with local governments and building owners in different regions across the state.

THE CITY OF ASTORIA, OREGON

LOCAL JURISDICTION WINNER

Existing buildings account for 80 billion square feet of space in the United States, and 75 percent of existing buildings will be in use by the year 2035. This means tackling the issue of energy efficiency through codes

The numbers are compelling: for every \$1 invested in energy code compliance you get \$6 in savings. Unfortunately, in an era of budget cuts, decreased staffing, and increasing responsibilities, energy code compliance is often overlooked.

The Standard Bearers are the people using smart, innovative, cost-effective approaches to keeping homeowners safe while saving them significant money on their utility bills.

Fortunately, the City of Astoria, Oregon, “the oldest city on the west coast,” is ahead of the curve and has equipped many of its historic and new buildings with efficient code complying measures that offer flexibility for design ideas to make compliance simple and affordable—which has dispersed the myth that older buildings in historic communities cannot be renovated without unreasonable costs.

SHAUNNA MOZINGO ENERGY CODE LEADER

Developing and producing resources for a single jurisdiction is one thing, to standardize documents that can be used to improve compliance across jurisdictions of an entire state is something quite different. Yet that is exactly what Shaunna Mozingo has accomplished.

Mozingo is a go-to resource for all matters related to energy codes in the state of Colorado and beyond. She has coordinated national energy code collaboration meetings, served as the Chair of the State Energy Code Development Committee, and served as the President of the Colorado Chapter of the ICC. In addition to her work in Colorado, she has taught energy codes and various compliance tools and strategies throughout the entire United States.

ABOUT STANDARD BEARERS AWARD PROGRAM

Founded in 2012, the Standard Bearers Award program recognizes a state, local jurisdiction, and individual who are using cost-effective strategies to achieve energy code compliance and energy reduction. IMT and ICC will be soliciting applications for the 2015 Award in early 2015. Mark your calendars now, and sign up for the IMT newsletter on imt.org or contact us at awards@imt.org for more information.

ABOUT IMT

The Institute for Market Transformation (IMT) is a Washington, DC-based nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting energy efficiency, green building, and environmental protection in the United States and abroad. Much of IMT’s work addresses market failures that inhibit investment in energy efficiency. For more information, visit imt.org.

ABOUT ICC

The International Code Council is a member-focused association. It is dedicated to developing model codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process to construct safe, sustainable, affordable and resilient structures. Most U.S. communities and many global markets choose the International Codes.

The International Codes, or I-Codes, published by ICC, provide minimum safeguards for people at home, at school and in the workplace. The I-Codes are a complete set of comprehensive, coordinated building safety and fire prevention codes. Building codes benefit public safety and support the industry’s need for one set of codes without regional limitations.