



# RaceRelations & Diversity Task Force

*Fostering respect & inclusion for all people*

A Sponsored Group of The Community House

## BELIEFS

We believe that as members of the metropolitan Detroit community we must actively devote ourselves to fostering equity and justice for all.

## MISSION

We come together to support each other in our desire to welcome diversity and to build and maintain an open community which will not tolerate racism or prejudice.

## GOALS

Our goals are to improve race relations within our own communities and throughout the metropolitan Detroit area, and to develop a climate that promotes inclusivity and values diversity.

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Dear Community Partner:

On **Thursday, April 29, 2010**, the Race Relations & Diversity Task Force will present its **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Diversity Champion Honor Roll Breakfast**, a community-wide event. This event will be held at **The Community House, 380 South Bates Street, Birmingham, Michigan at 8:00 AM** (registration at 7:30 AM).

We invite every business, non-profit, public agency or faith community of the Metro Detroit area to give special recognition to one individual whose vision of diversity has created a significant impact on others. The honored individuals make an invaluable contribution by helping to ensure that all people feel included and empowered in the shared endeavors of your organization and in our larger community. Enrollment of honorees will be inclusive and non-competitive. This is your opportunity to recognize these individuals as **Diversity Champions**. **Please submit your nomination form early as the event is limited to the first 40 nominations received.**

It is the goal of the Task Force to build capacity among area organizations in relation to issues of diversity and inclusion, to stimulate adoption and implementation of express policies supportive of diversity and to promote the mission of the Task Force.

**A Diversity Champion will:**

- Be the conscience of your organization
- Not settle for the status quo
- Embody the ideals of your organization
- Envision new ways of inclusion
- Be a doer whose actions speak of respect for others
- Be someone whose "circle of influence" represents many kinds of people
- Be an advocate who speaks out against insensitivity and prejudice

Consistent with the Task Force goals, a **Diversity Champion** may be someone who has helped your organization adopt or implement a policy supportive of diversity and the ideas of inclusion.

Enclosed is the information you will need to honor your **Diversity Champion**. **[The deadline for submissions is Monday, March 1, 2010.](#)**

Sincerely,

Robert Washburn  
Co-Chair

Donna Zimmer  
Co-Chair

Jerry Black  
Co-Chair

**Send submissions to:**

**Sarah Profeta, The Community House,  
380 South Bates Street, Birmingham, MI 48009,  
sarahp@communityhouse.com, 248-644-5832, fax 248-644-2476.**



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2010 HONOREE FORM

Honoree Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Honoree Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Honoree Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

We are pleased to honor \_\_\_\_\_ as our 2010 Diversity Champion.  
(Name of Honoree)

**ELIGIBILITY:** The Diversity Champion Honor Roll is inclusive and non-competitive. Any area organization in the public, private or independent sectors may honor ONE individual for his or her support of diversity and the ideals of inclusion within the organization. Honorees may be members or employees, as appropriate. Shared awards will be considered. Please submit your nomination form early as the event is limited to the first 40 nominations received.

**Please return this form to the address below and send a photo in a digital JPEG or TIFF format of at least 300 dpi via email to saral@communityhouse.com.** The photo will be used in honoring your Diversity Champion and shown at the breakfast on Thursday, April 29, 2010.

In a **MAXIMUM of 100 words** (please use word count), describe your Honoree’s contribution in support of diversity and the ideals of inclusion. It will be used in whole or in part, in honoring your Champion. (The task force reserves the right to edit when necessary.) **All narratives must be submitted via email attachment.**

Submitted by (Nominator): \_\_\_\_\_, an authorized person other than the Honoree.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**Honoree form, narrative and photo are due to The Community House by March 1, 2010.**

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:**

- Does my organization have to be located in Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills or Bloomfield Township?  
No. Any organization that serves the metropolitan Detroit area may honor a Diversity Champion.
- Can I nominate more than one person from my organization?  
Due to space limitations, we can only accept one honoree from each organization.
- Can I nominate our organization’s CEO?  
Yes, but someone else who’s authorized to speak on behalf of the organization must sign the Honoree form.

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