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The Helen McGregor Award 2017

In recognition of volunteers serving on a
Management Committee/Board of a
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Helen McGregor

Helen McGregor was a founding member of Shettleston Housing Association and EVH. Helen won the fore runner of this award in 2000. When she won the award she said:

“When I received my MBE I felt a tremendous sense of achievement on behalf of the people of Shettleston and for the housing association movement generally. I would have to be sincere in saying that the Award from EVH has surpassed how I felt about my MBE. This in no way is meant to diminish the MBE but rather to show my regard for the credibility and prestige which is attached to the Committee Member Award. I also know from personal experience just how much esteem is attached to the award within our movement. I can summarise my feelings with regard to my own Association and the housing association movement by saying that there is much to be proud of and much to celebrate.”

Who Can Win the Award?

This year the award is sponsored by **Shettleston Housing Association** and is open to all management committee members in Scotland, excluding current serving members of the EVH Executive Committee. Individuals who have made a positive contribution in the last 36 months (at the time of nomination) as a volunteer to a social employer, and currently serve on a Management Committee or Board are eligible for nomination.

This year’s winner will receive a cash prize of £500 and an engraved trophy, sponsored by **Osprey Housing, Moray** at EVH’s Annual Conference which will be held at the Fairmont Hotel, St Andrews on the weekend of 27-29 October 2017 Each finalist will also receive a commemorative trophy.

2016 Winner

The winner of the 2016 award was Barry Jarvis of Osprey Housing, Moray.



Barry receiving his award from Cat Harvey

Previous Award Winners

- 2016** Barry Jarvis—Osprey Housing, Moray
- 2015** Patryk Topolski— Garrion’s People Housing Co-operative
- 2014** Ron Richards—Cunninghame Housing Association
- 2013** Liz Ruine - Cube Housing Association
- 2012** John Gray—Queens Cross Housing Association
- 2011** j’, Tenants—First Housing Co-operative
- 2010** Josie Smith—Glen Housing Association
- 2009** Jean Black—Pineview Housing Association
- 2008** Sandra Forsythe MBE—Glasgow Housing Association
- 2007** Martin Van Der Lee—Tenants First Housing Partnership
- 2006** George Murray—Dumfries & Galloway Housing Partnership
- 2005** David Cowan—North Glasgow Housing Association
- 2004** Anne Stuart, Cassiltoun Housing Association
- 2003** Robert Wright, Cadder Housing Association
- 2002** Peter Howden, Calvay Housing Co-operative
- 2001** John Hearn, Clydebank Housing Association
- 2000** Helen McGregor MBE, Shettleston Housing Association
- 1999** John Jones, Ferguslie Park Housing Association
- 1998** Alison McFeat MBE, Abertay Housing Association
- 1997** Pat McGinley MBE, Glen Oaks Housing Association

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A big thank you to the sponsor Shettleston Housing Association and to Osprey Housing, Moray for sponsoring the winners prize.

Shortlisting

All nominees will be notified of the outcome of their nomination by 18 August 2017. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to meet with the panel in September 2017 before a final decision is reached.

Announcement of the winner’s and finalists’ details will be made at EVH’s Annual Conference at The Fairmont Hotel, St Andrews on the weekend 27-29 October 2017. After last year’s roaring success, our celebrity presenter this year, for a third year, will be Cat Harvey, formerly from Real Radio/Heart FM.

Nominations

Nominations can be made by a fellow committee member, staff member or tenant, self nominations are not acceptable. This year the judging criteria for the award will focus on a wide range of achievements which have been made, specifically, within the last 36 months, at the time of nomination. A wide range of achievements will be considered, possibly including for example; new and improved services, regeneration, better deals for tenants or new housing schemes. We are looking for evidence of how nominees have made and continue to make a positive difference.

You may find the following tips useful:

- Clearly describe the nominee's contribution to any individual or joint projects in the last 36 months;
- Keep the description of the project to a minimum – the panel will be more interested in the nominee's contribution to the project than the project itself;
- Avoid irrelevant details—past experience shows that some applications include a lot of padding that make the nominee's achievements difficult to assess;
- Give as much personal information about the nominee as is possible and relevant;
- Being on a management committee means being a team player and we also need those who can be ambassadors, add value and recognise links and opportunities.

N.B Maximum submission size is 2 pages, please.

Return of Nomination Forms

Please return your completed nomination forms to **Susie Anderson** by:

Email: Susie@evh.org.uk

Post: **EVH, 5th Floor, 137 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow, G2 3EW**

Fax: **0141 352 7449**

NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 23 JUNE 2017 AT 12 NOON.

It would be really appreciated if you could please notify Susie Anderson asap of your intention to submit a nomination.



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