

## 2020 FAIR HOUSING AWARDS

Greetings!

As a Supporter of the Fair Housing Center of West Michigan (FHCWM), we invite you to submit nominations for *Fair Housing Awards* by **April 3, 2020**. Selection for the Fair Housing Award is based upon a demonstrated commitment to fair housing. This commitment is evidenced by:

- Demonstrated leadership within the fair housing effort
- Economic, Social and/or Political impact in the community which has encouraged diversity and housing opportunities for all
- Past efforts raising awareness in the community about fair housing and other issues pertinent to providing equal housing opportunity for all
- Demonstrated accomplishments in fair housing efforts

On **May 7, 2020**, our Center will host our annual Fair Housing Luncheon & Workshop Series wherein the *Fair Housing Awards* are presented. This year we hope to give *Awards* to individuals, businesses and/or organizations that have made significant contributions to the progress of open housing in West Michigan. In the past 10 years, the awards have been presented to:

- 2019 Timothy Reimink (Crowe LLP)
- 2018 All Event Attendees, as a celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Fair Housing Act
- 2017 Suzanne Schulz (City of Grand Rapids Planning Department)
- 2016 Marlene Cain (Michigan Dept. of Civil Rights); Hon. Benjamin Logan (retired, 61<sup>st</sup> District Court)
- 2015 Jonathan Bradford (ICCF); Dave Jacobs (Home Repair Services); Tonya Robinson (FHCWM client)
- 2014 Tracie Coffman (Home Repair Services); Miriam Reyes (Habitat for Humanity of Kent County)
- 2013 Sue Ortiz (ICCF); Kendra Vanderlip (FHCWM client)
- 2012 Holly Sturges (Grand Rapids Housing Commission); Chemical Bank
- 2011 Kimberly Spring (Foreclosure Response); Land & Co.
- 2010 Krystle Gist (FHCWM client); Michigan Department of Civil Rights
- 2009 Judy Barnes (Home & Building Association of Greater Grand Rapids); Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan

A full list of the past award recipients dating back to 1993 can be found on our website under Luncheon & Workshop Series: (<http://www.fhcwm.org/lws/awards>). To nominate an individual and/or an organization, please complete the second page of this form. You may submit as many nominations as you see fit. Selection(s) will be made by the FHCWM based upon the nominee's contributions as demonstrated and/or described, and their relationship to the mission and goals of the Fair Housing Center of West Michigan. We look forward to receiving your submissions!

*The FHCWM is a private, non-profit organization established in 1980 to ensure equal access to housing opportunity in west Michigan. The FHCWM carries out its mission through enforcement and education programs based on Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, "the Fair Housing Act," which prohibits discrimination based upon race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, or the presence of children in the family in the sale, rental, advertising, financing, or representation of housing. Similar state and local laws further prohibit housing discrimination based on marital status, age, source of income, and sexual orientation.*

**2020 NOMINATION FORM**

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_  
(Individual or Organization)

Address of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Organization/Affiliation (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Nominated by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe this nominee's contribution to the progress of open housing based upon the stated criteria:

\*\*\* Return this form to the FHCWM by **4/3/2020** via fax (616-451-2657)  
or mail (20 Hall Street SE; Grand Rapids, MI 49507) \*\*\*