

2011 CUI Brownie Awards recognize excellence in Brownfield Redevelopment across Canada

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The 11th annual CUI Brownie Awards were presented at a Gala Dinner at the Allstream Centre at Exhibition Place in Toronto yesterday evening. Held in conjunction with the CUI's Canadian Brownfields conference – *Making Great Places* – the awards are sponsored by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC), and celebrate excellence in brownfield redevelopment by transforming contaminated sites into "great places."

Winners in seven categories from across Canada were recognized for their leadership, innovation and commitment to building sustainable communities.

"Regardless of their size or scale, successful brownfield projects are a truly collaborative effort, requiring commitment, persistence and an ability to overcome complex challenges," said Glenn Miller, Vice President, Education and Research with the CUI. "The extraordinary range of projects and programs represented by the finalists are a tribute to the high quality of design and technical expertise across the country. Selecting the winners gets harder every year."

The CUI Brownie Award for **best overall project** went to **The Tannery District in Kitchener, Ontario**, which turned a vacant derelict property into a state of the art, environmentally friendly building envelope that has attracted new commercial tenants, and which has also stimulated investment and renovation in surrounding sites.

Awards were also presented to the East Village Re-Development in Calgary, Alberta for Best Large Scale Project; and to the Davie Village Community Garden in Vancouver, BC for Best Small Scale Project. The award for Brownfielder of the Year went to Dave Harper from Kilmer Brownfield Equity Fund L.P for his leadership and advocacy to advance brownfield redevelopment across Canada.

Category-specific awards were awarded to the following projects:

- Category 1 Legislation, Policy and Program Development Streamlined Risk Assessment Approved Model – Toronto, ON
- Category 2 Sustainable Remediation Technologies and Technological Innovation Westminster Pier Park – New Westminster, BC
- Category 3 Financing, Risk Management and Partnerships Durham Region Courthouse – Oshawa, ON

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- Category 4 Excellence in Project Development: Building Scale Corus Quay – Toronto, ON
- Category 5 Excellence in Project Development: Neighbourhood Scale The West Don Lands & Pan/Parapan Am Athletes' Village Project – Toronto, ON
- Category 6 Communications, Marketing and Public Engagement
 The BLOOM 2011 Brownfield Series: Practical Workshops for Redevelopment in Canada Edmonton, Hamilton, St. Lawrence Corridor (Kingston, Cornwall and Brockville), Montreal, North
 Bay, Waterloo Region
- Category 7 Individual Achievement David Harper - Kilmer Brownfield Equity Fund L.P.

For more details on these projects and the other finalists, visit <u>https://canurb.org/awards</u>, or contact Glenn Miller, Vice President of Education and Research with the Canadian Urban Institute at 416 365 0816 ext 284.

The CUI Brownie Awards jury is comprised of representatives from ten professional and industry associations. In addition to the Canadian Urban Institute and Canadian Brownfields Network, the jury includes representatives from the Canadian Institute of Planners/Ontario Professional Planners Institute; the BLOOM Centre for Sustainability (formerly OCETA); Association of Professional Geoscientists of Ontario; Federation of Canadian Municipalities; BILD (Building, Industry and Land Development); Ontario Association of Architects; Natural Resources Canada; and ReNew Canada.

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