

Special Recognition Award

Community Action Family Shelter Home



Since 1975 Community Action Organization has been operating a shelter in Hillsboro providing safe housing and support services for families. More than 70 families representing 275 children and their parents stay at the shelter each year. Families may stay up to five weeks, while they work with staff to secure permanent housing and attend classes to learn parenting, good health, and tenant responsibility skills. During their stay, children attend school, participate in Head Start classes, and enjoy after school and evening activities. The family shelter is located in the historic Shute House on the corner of 12th Avenue and Washington Street in Hillsboro.

The National Association of Community Action Agencies honors the Community Action Family Shelter Home for providing 25 years of dignity and shelter to the homeless of Washington County.

Outstanding Business Leader *Dick Stenson*



Dick Stenson became President and CEO of Tuality Healthcare in 1992 and has worked tirelessly to build a healthier community. He has provided leadership for CAO's Opening Doors maternity outreach program, the Virginia Garcia Healthy Start women's clinic, the STARS program to reduce teenage pregnancy, and the Jackson Bottom Livability Forum. Dick is the United Way campaign coordinator for Washington County, serves on the Forest Grove and Hillsboro Chambers of Commerce, is a board member of Columbia-Willamette Health Education Centers and of CAO, and helped start the Acorn Foundation of Pacific University. He has recently published a book for young physicians facing career choices, titled "A Physician's Guide to Thriving in the New Managed Care Environment."

Community Action honors Dick Stenson with our 2000 Community Spirit award for demonstrating support for the mission of Community Action Organization and for making an exemplary personal commitment to strengthening the Washington County community.

Outstanding Business *Henningsen Cold Storage Co.*



1994 photo showing four generations of the Henningsen Family: (l to r) Chris, Michael, Jr., Michael, Sr., Walter and Paul. Walter Henningsen, in foreground, is now deceased.

Henningsen Cold Storage Co., a four-generation family business established in 1923, has been active with the Boys and Girls Aid Society, Tuality Hospital, St. Vincent Hospital, Pacific University, West Woman's Children's Shelter, Washington County Hospice, United Way, Silver Bullet Little League, Adopt-A-Road and Community Action Organization. Mike Henningsen, Jr., who recently became president after his father, Mike Sr., retired, has served as president of the Forest Grove Chamber of Commerce and the Daybreak Rotary in Forest Grove.

Community Action honors Henningsen Cold Storage with our 2000 Community Spirit award for demonstrating support for the mission of Community Action Organization and for making an exemplary corporate commitment to strengthening the Washington County community.

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