

Institute for Disability Studies Housing Initiative Partner of the Year Award

The Institute for Disability Studies (IDS) annually recognizes an individual and an agency participating on its Housing Advisory Council as a Partner of the Year. The recipients (the individual and the agency) are recognized at the fall Advisory Council meeting and featured in the winter edition of the IDS Housing View newsletter.

Nominations are received from April 1 through June 30 each year. The applicant must have participated with the IDS Advisory Council for one year. IDS can receive nominations from staff, Advisory Council members and other community partners. Applications can be obtained from any IDS office location or via the Web at www.usm.edu/ids/housingpartners.

Qualifications include but are not limited to:

- Assisting with housing in an area of the state
- Working in the disability arena to empower people with disabilities in living independently in their communities
- Assisting with economic development (i.e. job creation/retention) in the state

2011 PARTNER OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

NOMINATION FORM

Information about Nominator:

First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____ Last Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Employer: _____ Fax #: _____

Information about your Nominee:

Individual (First/Middle/Last) or Agency Name: _____

Agency contact name: _____ Telephone #: _____

Email address of the individual or agency contact person (web site address, if applicable)

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

County: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Employer: _____ Work Phone Number: _____

Judging for awards will be based on the information provided on this form and any attachments received by the June 30, 2011 deadline. Please provide enough detail to help judges understand why they should select your nominee. **Please print or type responses and you may use an additional sheet if necessary.**

1.) Please describe why you feel your nominee deserves a Partner of the Year award. If possible, please provide specific accomplishments:

2.) Describe an incident involving your nominee in which something was done or said and serves as the best illustration of who they are:

3.) In your opinion, what one word best describes your nominee?

_____ (i.e. Advocate, Leader, Mentor, Defender)

Deadline for application is June 30, 2011 Applications received after June 30 will not be considered for award. Applications must be returned to The University of Southern Mississippi, Institute for Disability Studies, Attn: Cassie Hicks, 118 College Drive #5163, Hattiesburg, MS. 39406-0001 or can be e-mailed to cassie.hicks@usm.edu. For more information, please call (601) 266-6038.