

Enterprise Names Four Winners of Architectural Fellowship ^[1]

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PRNewswire Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. ^[1] WELLESLEY, Mass., Sept. 9 /PRNewswire/ -- Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. (Enterprise) today named four exceptional young professionals to the 2010-2013 class of its prestigious Enterprise Rose Architectural Fellowship, the only national program that partners emerging architectural leaders with community developers for three years to unite a community-based approach to development with best practices in design. Launched in 2000, the Fellowship celebrates with this class its 10th anniversary of developing the next generation of community minded architects, instilling design excellence in affordable housing nationwide. "Enterprise's Design Initiatives, of which the Fellowship is a critical component, is driving the convergence of design excellence and affordable housing," said Katie Swenson, vice president, Design Initiatives, Enterprise. "The long-term financial and social viability of affordable housing depends on design excellence, sustainability and the community's engagement in the development of its own neighborhood, the three core principles of Enterprise's approach to design. The Fellowship is a catalyst to help us make this approach universal throughout the community development industry." The 2010-2013 class of Enterprise Rose Architectural Fellows includes: Jason Wheeler, the first Fellow in Utah, who will work with Color Country Community Housing (CCCH), based in St. George. He will focus on improving the Mutual Self Help housing program and strive to aid CCCH in creating net zero communities or communities with zero net energy consumption and zero carbon emissions. Jason received his Bachelor of Science in construction management from Brigham Young University and a Master of Architecture from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign. Joann Ware, who will work with InterIm Community Development Agency in Seattle on a Visionary Green Implementation

Strategy, an approach to sustainability that goes beyond just the physical attributes of a "green building" to criteria like residents' health, intergenerational community-building and neighborhood engagement. Joann received a Bachelor of Arts in architectural studies from the University of Washington and a Master of Architecture from the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD). With three classmates from RISD, she initiated a micro-finance nonprofit to benefit former sex trade workers in India. The partners raised funds to buy and ship sewing machines to Kolkata, India that now empower 17 female artisans to sew, market and sell quilts - the proceeds from which are saved in a college fund for the women's daughters. Juan Calaf, the first Fellow in Puerto Rico, who will work at PathStone in Orocovis and Lajas, Puerto Rico. Juan will spearhead alongside Pathstone's Puerto Rico development team the creation of design standards that incorporate both state-of-the-art practices suited to the culture and availability of sustainable materials on the Island as well as community planning principles into site decisions. Juan earned a Bachelor of Architecture from Syracuse University. After graduation, while practicing architecture in Los Angeles, he volunteered with Enterprise Rose Fellow alumnus Peter Aeschbacher to help a local community turn a dilapidated garden into a renewed community resource. After leaving Los Angeles, Juan went to work for the Asian Neighborhood Design in San Francisco on community engagement processes, housing policy and sustainability. Wayne Mortensen, the first Fellow in Cleveland, who will work with Cleveland Neighborhood Progress, Inc. to create affordable housing and civic facilities and a citywide sustainable development policy. Wayne received master's degrees in architecture, urban design and social work from Washington University in St. Louis. Following graduation, Wayne worked with the National Endowment for the Arts to coordinate the Midwest Session of the Mayors' Institute on City Design. He served as the president of the American Institute of Architecture (AIA) Students and as director on the National Architectural Accrediting Board and the AIA Board of Directors. He is currently the Central States Regional Associate Director on the AIA National Associates Committee (NAC). The Enterprise Rose Architectural Fellowship was created with the support of green urban solutions pioneer Jonathan Rose, an Enterprise trustee, in honor of his late father, Frederick P. Rose, the urban builder and philanthropist. Thirty-one Fellows to date have collectively produced or rehabilitated 5,500 affordable, energy- efficient homes in urban and rural communities across the country, as well as designed more than 46 community buildings, including day care facilities, health clinics and mixed-use properties. Since the inception of Enterprise Green Communities in 2004, the Fellows have used the Enterprise Green Communities Criteria as a baseline in their design efforts. The Criteria is the first nationwide standard in green affordable housing and allows for an equitable integrated design approach to building low-income housing. Recently, Enterprise Green Communities announced a public/private call-to-action to green all affordable housing by 2020. Enterprise has so far invested nearly \$1 billion in the effort and committed \$4 billion more over the next five years. The Fellowship plays an important role in helping to execute the campaign with Enterprise's development partners. Funding for the 2010-2013 Enterprise Rose Architectural Fellowship was provided by The Kendeda Fund, The Cleveland Foundation, The George Gund Foundation, Saint Luke's Foundation, the Surdna Foundation and the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Enterprise is a leading provider of the development capital and expertise it takes to create decent, affordable homes and rebuild communities. For more than 25 years, Enterprise has introduced neighborhood solutions through public-private partnerships with financial institutions, governments, community organizations and others that share our vision. Enterprise has raised and invested more than \$10 billion in equity, grants and loans to help build or preserve more than 270,000 affordable rental and for-sale homes to create vital communities. Visit www.enterprisecommunity.org ^[2] and www.enterprisecommunity.com ^[3] to learn more about

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