Ninth Annual Excellence Award

The 2005 HUD Secretary's Award for Excellence

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Alphonso Jackson
Secretary
**Criteria**

Each entry for the 2005 HUD Secretary’s Award for Excellence must meet the following criteria:

1. The home is affordable to people with incomes less than 80 percent of the area median income.
2. The first home must have been completed or the first model home opened after May 1, 2004, and before July 15, 2005.
3. The sales price of the home is below 85 percent of the median home price of the metropolitan statistical area (MSA). Please visit www.nahb.org/hoi to view the NAHB/Wells Fargo Housing Opportunity Index, complete listing, sorted alphabetically, to get your MSA’s median sales price. If you have questions, call 800-368-5242, ext. 8343.
4. The home was built through a collaboration of local government, private industry (e.g., builders, Realtors®, and lenders), and nonprofit and/or community groups.
5. The home embodies design excellence as defined by the Affordable Housing Design Advisor (see www.designadvisor.org for more information). Discuss how the project meets users’ needs, understands and responds to the Design Advisor’s content, enhances its neighborhood, and is built to last.
6. The home demonstrates innovation in one or more of the following ways:
   - Uses PATH-identified technologies (see www.pathnet.org for more information).
   - Overcomes regulatory barriers.
   - Conserves energy and water; reduces construction waste.
   - Improves the construction process to reduce cost or increase efficiency.

*Note: To be selected as a winner, a project is required to provide accessibility. If the project is covered by the accessibility provisions of the Fair Housing Act, the project must meet the provisions of the Act to qualify for an award. For more information, refer to www.hud.gov/groups/fairhousing.cfm.*

Applicants should not supply any information other than this registration form. After submitting this form, each applicant will receive a notebook containing a checklist, detailed entry forms, and instructions for organizing entry exhibits.

Registration forms and the registration fee for each entry for the 2005 HUD Secretary’s Award for Excellence must be received at Professional Builder magazine no later than July 1, 2005. All entry notebooks must be postmarked no later than July 15, 2005, to be eligible for inclusion in the 2005 HUD Secretary’s Award for Excellence competition. Registration fees are $100 for each entry in this category. Make checks payable to Best in American Living Award. A panel of HUD judges will select the winners for Platinum, Gold, and Silver awards.

For questions regarding HUD application submissions, please contact—

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Mail or fax completed registration form with entry fee to—

The HUD Secretary’s Award for Excellence  
Best in American Living Award  
Judy Brociek  
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Oak Brook, IL 60523–8809  
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Public announcement of the 2005 winners will be at the 62nd NAHB International Builders’ Show, January 11–14, 2006, in Orlando, Florida. Winners will be presented awards during a ceremony sponsored by NAHB, *Professional Builder* magazine, and several leading building product manufacturers.

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I am submitting a total of $___________________________ for the 2005 HUD Secretary’s Award for Excellence competition. Please send me an entry notebook.