

NANCY BOWEN: 2014 EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AWARD WINNER



The OSU Extension Excellence in Community Development Award recognizes a CD Extension professional for significant programmatic strengths, major contributions and innovative approaches achieved over the course of their Extension career with a \$1000 cash award. The awardee's accomplishments must have value beyond their assigned work location; they must document long term strengths in teaching and research; exhibit a long-standing record of teamwork and collaboration in program planning, implementation and evaluation as well as a successful track record in grant awards, cost recovery or other external funding. The awardees must also exhibit evidence of professional development and service to the profession.

Nancy Bowen, the 2014 OSU Extension Excellence in Community Development Award winner, has demonstrated a record of excellence in creative and scholarly work by . . .

- authoring or co-authoring nearly three dozen scholarly outputs including 19 bulletins, tech reports and factsheets and nine peer and editor-reviewed journal publications as well as over four dozen scholarly presentations at regional, national and international conferences.
- being recognized by peers with a dozen state, regional and/or national awards.
- being awarded over \$925,000 to support applied research projects and programs throughout Ohio.

Nancy has demonstrated a record of excellence in teaching by . . .

- effectively teaching one-on-one and groups of various sizes individually and as part of a teaching team AND utilizing a variety of methods.
- being recognized for teaching excellence, receiving a variety of teaching awards.

Nancy has steadfastly served the profession & community by serving as . . .

- an OSU CARES grants reviewer, a member of the Extension Director's Internal Advisory Committee and a member of the Extension Faculty P&T Committee.
- a board member of OJCEP, Ohio NACDEP President and President-elect, and multiple other roles with NACDEP.

Nancy also . . .

- has been dedicated to excellence in creative and scholarly work, teaching and service having been promoted from A&P III to IV, and most recently Associate Professor (in 2014).
- has partnered with community and organizational leaders to write, co-write or initiate over \$25 million in state and federal grants that have been leveraged for community economic development and business development projects over the last 15 years.
- is currently the co-leader of the 'BR&E' Signature Program Team and actively leads and contributes to teams focusing on regional and statewide programming in the area of Community Economics.
- since becoming a Field Specialist in February 2012, has played a part in securing \$326,000 in public or private funding for 21 projects and currently serves as PI for the largest project, a \$200,000, three-year economic impact and shale analysis project through the Economic Development Administration.
- is a team player, collaborating with Extension professionals in four other states and with faculty at Bowling Green State University, Rhodes State College and Wright State University.
- during her tenure as Field Specialist, has published four journal articles, three as lead author and nine fact sheets or technical reports. She has also presented 20 scholarly presentations, six of which were to international audiences.
- beginning in Van Wert County in 1999 and now as a Field Specialist focusing on Community Economics, has focused her Extension career on partnering with individuals, businesses, organizations and communities to develop and deliver multidisciplinary, holistic programs that empower others to enhance economic conditions.