

DAVID CIVITTOLO: 2013 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.

David Civittolo, the 2013 OSU Extension Excellence in Community Development Award Winner, has demonstrated a record of excellence in creative and scholarly work by . . .

- authoring and co-authoring nearly 20 peer-reviewed publications including book chapters (1), journal publications (4) and factsheets, and bulletins (10), AND has been selected by peers to make nearly three dozen scholarly presentations at regional and national conferences.
- being recognized with over a dozen awards for creative and scholarly work.
- being responsible in part for obtaining nearly \$600,000 to support applied research projects in partnership with communities, organizations, and agencies throughout Ohio.

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

- effectively teaching one-on-one and groups of a variety of sizes individually and as part of a teaching team.
- utilizing a variety of teaching methods (audio and enhanced podcasts, Moodle, and most recently Adobe Connect to support a webinar approach) to reach several thousand local officials new and diverse clientele.
- being recognized for teaching excellence, receiving a variety of teaching awards.

David has steadfastly served the profession and community by serving as . . .

- a board member of OJCEP and the National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals.
- a participant of the North Central Region Extension Leadership Development.
- a County Extension Director, member of FAES Faculty Council, chair of the A&P promotion committee and was recently selected by peers to serve on the Extension Faculty P&T Committee.

David also . . .

- began in Medina County in 2000, served as a Western Reserve EERA Leader from 2009-2011, and now serves as a Field Specialist focusing on Community Economics.
- 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 2013).
- has partnered with community and organizational leaders to create Medina County's Farmers Market and the Academy of Conservation Leadership with the OFSWCD.
- 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.
- has focused his Extension career on partnering with individuals, businesses, organizations and communities to develop and deliver multidisciplinary, holistic programs that empower others to enhance economic conditions.

