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## **DUBLIN BUILDING DEPARTMENT WINS AWARD FOR INNOVATION FROM OHIO BOARD OF BUILDING STANDARDS**

**COLUMBUS, Ohio** - At last night's Dublin City Council meeting, the Ohio Board of Building Standards (Board) presented the City of Dublin Building Standards Department the 2014 David A. Smith Building Department Award for Innovation.

This award is presented annually to recognize an Ohio certified building department that has demonstrated exemplary customer service, dedication to public service, and has furthered the mission and goals of the Board. "Dublin's building department and the other nominees are very knowledgeable, quick and responsive to their customers, and provide valuable services promoting safety and growth in their communities," said Board Vice Chairman Tim Galvin.

"On behalf of the City of Dublin and our building safety partner Washington Township, we are honored to receive this distinguished recognition from the Ohio Board of Building Standards," said Dublin Building Standards Director Jeff Tyler. "This award is a credit to our dedicated Building Standards staff, our engineers and planners, City leadership and the seamless partnership with Washington Township."

Of the approximately 400 full service certified building departments in Ohio, the Board received 13 nominations for this year's award. Once nominations were received, the Board selected the winner based on a review of the departments' performance, contacts building contractors and designers who worked in those communities, and conducted 'secret shopper' calls to the departments. The following are the certified building departments nominated for 2014:

City of Beachwood  
City of Columbus  
City of Dublin  
City of Fairborn  
Garfield Heights  
City of Groveport  
City of Medina

Medina County  
Miami County  
City of Moraine  
City of North Ridgeville  
City of Sharonville  
City of Upper Arlington

The award is named for former Board Member David A. Smith. Mr. Smith embodied the goals and mission of the Board through his long career in model code associations, as an engineer, and as a building official.

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