

Asociación Puertorriqueños en Marcha



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*Mayor Michael A. Nutter and
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Asociación Puertorriqueños en Marcha receives 2009 PACDC Community Development Excellence Award

Philadelphia, PA—Asociación Puertorriqueños en Marcha (APM) was honored on Wednesday, May 27th with the Philadelphia Association of Community Development Corporations (PACDC) Blue Ribbon Award for Excellence in Community Development. The awards, which were presented by Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter, were handed out at PACDC's 2009 Gala, Night of Excellence/Night at the Races at the Hyatt Regency Penns Landing.

"We are honored to have been recognized by PACDC—an organization of peers—for our extensive and successful efforts to revitalize Eastern North Philadelphia," shared APM President and CEO Nilda I. Ruiz.

APM, a Latino-based health, human services and community development organization, is the only agency in the region recently recognized by Hispanic Business Magazine as one of the top 25 Hispanic nonprofits in the country. Its community development portfolio includes a 44,000 square foot retail center housing a supermarket, Laundromat, and TruMark Financial Credit Union, 125 new, affordable homes for first-time homeowners, and the upcoming Sheridan Street Green Building Initiative, the first affordable housing project by a Latino agency in the country to be built to LEED-Gold standards.

PACDC's awards program recognizes outstanding achievement by community development corporations (CDCs) as well as individual leadership within Philadelphia's community development field that advances the vision of PACDC, which is to ensure "vibrant and diverse neighborhoods across Philadelphia that equitably meet the needs of all community members, preserve and enhance community assets, and foster a strong city and region."

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APM is a Latino based health, human services and community development organization committed to assisting Philadelphia area families to achieve their full potential by offering a conglomerate of programs and services including education for children, mental health support, drug and alcohol treatment, health prevention and promotion and access to affordable housing options.

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