2010 Nonprofit Excellence Awards Winners

MNN Nonprofit Advocacy Award: <u>Sociedad Latina</u>, Roxbury. Sociedad Latina works in partnership with Latino youth to cultivate the next generation of leaders. Sociedad Latina was recognized for training all its clients—even those too young to vote—in civic engagement and how to advocate for themselves and others.

MNN Nonprofit Capacity Building Award: <u>Jericho Road Project</u>, Lowell. Dedicated to providing longterm, wide-ranging, and free capacity-building services in Lowell, Lawrence, Worcester, and Lynn, the Jericho Road Project is credited with creating communities of high-performing nonprofit organizations that can better serve their respective missions.

MNN Nonprofit Collaboration Award: <u>Growing Places Garden Project</u>, Clinton. This year's smallest recipient, Growing Places Garden Project provides gardens and nutrition education so that people can grow food on their own.

MNN Nonprofit Communications Award: <u>May Institute</u>, Randolph. May Institute was honored for the impact of its National Standards Report that guides tens of thousands of families impacted by autism as well as a traveling exhibit to show the voices and faces of autism.

MNN Nonprofit Governance Award: <u>Family Health Center of Worcester</u>, Worcester. More than half of this organization's board is comprised of patients, who, along with the rest of the board, is mindful of its oversight responsibilities to establish strategic goals and to ensure that resources are prudently executed.

MNN Nonprofit Innovation Award: <u>Project HEALTH</u>, Boston. Founded in the Boston Medical Center Pediatrics Department, Project HEALTH enables doctors to prescribe food, fuel assistance, housing, and other resources for patients. A Family Help Desk fills the prescriptions by connecting patients with these key resources.

MNN Nonprofit Leadership Award: Vincent Perrone, <u>Veterans Inc.</u>, Worchester. In 1993, Perrone was named the first president of Veterans Inc. and was instrumental in establishing the structure for this organization, the largest provider of supportive housing for veterans in New England. He has fought for funding opportunities and provided strong leadership statewide.

MNN Nonprofit Management Award: <u>East End House</u>, Cambridge. East End House, a multi-service community center and social services agency, was honored for its management team's strategy to create powerful change through systems of evaluation and accountability.

MNN Nonprofit Young Professional Award: Nina Dudnick <u>Seeding Labs</u>, Cambridge. Dudnick, a molecular biologist who founded Seeding Labs, has equipped labs in 14 countries by recruiting students and staff at biotechnology companies to donate surplus materials as well as expertise.

MNN Nonprofit Social Entrepreneurship Award: <u>Abundant Table</u>, Boston. A social enterprise of Pine Street Inn's food service department, Abundant Table sells 1,000 meals per day to area organizations, generating approximately \$1 million in gross revenue annually and enabling the training of 100 students per year.