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Morristown Leadership, Historic Downtown Sets Example for Successful Community Integration

Morristown celebrates four awards presented to the town within the past month

MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY -- October proved downtown Morristown to be a leader in implementing community policies with a combined four awards presented to the Town this past month.

- The Housing and Community Development Network on New Jersey honored Morristown with the Outstanding Municipal Partner in New Development in 2017.
- Downtown New Jersey honored Morristown Mayor Timothy Dougherty with the Individual of Excellence Award for the 2017 year.
- The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) presented Morristown with the Complete Streets Excellence award.
- The New Jersey Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA-NJ) granted Morristown with the 2017 "Great Downtown" designation.

"Being recognized by these organizations is a great testament to all of the work we are doing in Morristown to make our historic town a desirable place to live, work, and visit," stated Morristown Mayor Timothy Dougherty.

The Town was recognized on October 20 by the Housing and Community Development Network for bringing diverse strategies that bear and support growth in the affordable housing market. As "New Development" honorees at the organization's annual community development conference, the Town was acknowledged for its' vigilance in ensuring new, market-rate developments have inclusionary affordable housing units or leverage high-impact opportunities elsewhere in town.

Mayor Dougherty was presented with the Individual of Excellence Award by Downtown New Jersey on October 24 for his commitment towards progressive downtown development in Morristown. Nominated by the Morristown Partnership, Mayor Dougherty was selected as an honoree based on his endless work to continue fulfilling the goals and objectives of Morristown's Master Plan.

NJDOT honored Morristown, one of six municipalities who were among this year's Complete Streets Excellence Awards recipients on October 27, as a town that has successfully implemented

their Complete Streets policy to make public roads safer and more attractive for motorists, pedestrians, and bicyclists, and motorists and public transportation users of all ages and ability.

On October 30, APA-NJ awarded Downtown Morristown with the “Great Downtown” designation, a title given to only one town per year as a part of their “Great Places in New Jersey” classification, based on its successful integration of new communities and redevelopment projects into the Town’s historic business district, as well as its maintenance of open space.

The Town of Morristown is proud to receive such extensive recognition of development projects that will continue to embrace smart growth that fosters a distinct, inclusive, accessible and attractive community.

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PHOTOS:

1. View of Morristown Green, downtown Morristown
2. Mayor Dougherty receives Individual of Excellence Award from Downtown New Jersey President Robert Goldsmith
3. (left to right) Town Planner Phil Abramson; Council President Stefan Armington; Business Administrator Jillian Barrick at the New Jersey Complete Streets Summit
4. (left to right) Town Planners Chris Kok and Phil Abramson; Business Administrator Jillian Barrick; Morristown Mayor Timothy Dougherty; Morristown Attorney John Inglesino receive Great Downtown designation on behalf of Morristown

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