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**COMMUNITY SHELTER BOARD HONORS “HEROES”
AT 11th ANNUAL CEREMONY**

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COLUMBUS – The Community Shelter Board (CSB) honored individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions through their work toward ending homelessness at an awards ceremony held yesterday at Nationwide’s corporate offices.

The Hero Award is presented to those who have made significant contributions in assisting families and individuals in Central Ohio to resolve their housing crises. This year’s recipients included: Jim Rose of Capital Crossroads and Discovery Special Improvement Districts; Karl Stromeier of Lutheran Social Services – Faith Mission; Douglass White of the CSB Citizens Advisory Council; and Jessica Wichtman of the YWCA Family Center. Below is a photo of the recipients with Michelle Heritage.

The Community Shelter Board, established in 1986, is a public-private partnership organization that creates collaborations, innovates solutions, and invests in quality programs in order to end homelessness in Columbus and Franklin County. The Community Shelter Board allocates over \$14 million annually to support homeless programs and services. Last year, these programs served more than 8,000 individuals. The Community Shelter Board is funded by the City of Columbus, the Franklin County Board of Commissioners, the United Way of Central Ohio, The Columbus Foundation, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the State of Ohio, and other public and private donors.

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Left to Right: Karl Stromeier, Douglass White, Michelle Heritage, Jessica Wichtman and Jim Rose.

