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CCLT Wins U.S. Green Building Council's 2011 LEED for Homes Award

Awarded "Outstanding Affordable Housing Project," to be Celebrated at Fall Dinner & Auction

Gladstone, OR – The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) has awarded Clackamas Community Land Trust's Juneberry Lane project with its national award for Outstanding Affordable Housing Project. The announcement was made last week at the 2011 Greenbuild International Conference & Expo held in Toronto. Juneberry Lane is a LEED Platinum Certified development of 12 duplex-style homes on .73 acres in Oregon City. These newly constructed homes are available for purchase by first-time homebuyers with modest incomes, and will be kept permanently affordable for generations through CCLT's stewardship.

Influencing USGBC's award are Juneberry Lane's numerous energy efficiency strategies, including the use of modified hydronic forced air gas furnaces and tankless water heaters. Homebuyers benefit from the eco-friendly features and also contribute to building a cohesive, aesthetic community by investing "sweat equity" through landscaping and home-maintenance. This project, funded in part by Community Frameworks, is also the first certified residential Earth Advantage Community in the nation.

"We are really proud of these homes," says Loretta Walker Kelly, Homeowner Coordinator for CCLT. "We took great care to make them as healthy for our homeowners and the environment as possible. It's wonderful to be receiving national recognition for this project."

CCLT will celebrate its Outstanding Affordable Housing Project award at its fall "Raise the Roof" dinner and auction, to be held Thursday, November 10, 2011 at the Abernethy Center in Oregon City. From 6-8:30 PM, guests will enjoy dinner, a hosted bar, a live and silent auction, and a raffle drawing. The public is invited to attend this event. Tickets are available for advance purchase at www.clackamasclt.org. All funds raised will benefit CCLT's affordable homeownership programs for people of modest means in Clackamas County.

To learn more about CCLT, visit www.clackamasclt.org. For more information on LEED for Homes, visit usgbc.org/homes.

About Clackamas Community Land Trust (CCLT): CCLT is a nonprofit organization, founded in 1999 to provide affordable homeownership opportunities and related educational resources to people of modest means in Clackamas County. CCLT's vision is for homebuyers of modest means in Clackamas County to have access to healthy, quality homes, be successful in purchasing and maintaining their home, and see CCLT as their resource for all types of homeownership information.

About U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC): The U.S. Green Building Council is committed to a prosperous and sustainable future for our nation through cost-efficient and energy-saving green buildings. With a community comprising 79 local affiliates, nearly 16,000 member organizations, and more than 168,000 LEED Professional Credential holders, USGBC is the driving force of an industry that is projected to contribute \$554 billion to the U.S. GDP from 2009-2013. USGBC leads an unlikely diverse constituency of builders and environmentalists, corporations and nonprofit organizations, elected officials and concerned citizens, and teachers and students.

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