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Let the 2022 NAHMA Drug-Free Calendar Spread a Little Joy

Alexandria, Va., Sept. 17, 2021 — Bring a little joy into your life or the lives of your residents and staff. The 2022 National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA) Drug-Free Kids Calendar's original artwork is sure to put a smile on everyone's face. Be one of the first to own this collector's item by downloading the <u>order form</u> and sending it in today. Please allow three-four weeks for delivery. The calendar cost is \$5.50 each, which is a Department of Housing and Urban Development and U.S. Department of Agriculture allowable project expense.

<u>Purchase</u> calendars before Nov. 12, and you are automatically entered in the lucky draw for prizes, including NAHMA meeting registrations, books, and gift cards. There is a small shipping and handling fee for each calendar.

The <u>calendars</u> feature outstanding original artwork by children, seniors, and adults with special needs living in affordable multifamily housing. The underlying message for the annual calendar contest is always a drug-free theme. Still, the association wanted to open the door for more avenues of expression, so a subtheme is incorporated into the poster contest. The subtheme this year is *With Responsibility Comes Reward: Holding Ourselves Accountable*.

Angie Montero, an 11th-grader from Miami, Fla., has been named the grand prizewinner in NAHMA's annual AHMA Drug-Free Kids poster and art contest. The talented artist's creation will appear on the cover of NAHMA's 2022 calendar. Angie, 17, also receives an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington, D.C., for a future NAHMA Biannual Top Issues in Affordable Housing conference, as well as a scholarship of \$2,500 from the NAHMA Educational Foundation.

Typically, the contest draws hundreds of participants nationwide. Each winner of the NAHMA contest receives a \$1,000 educational scholarship from the NAHMA Educational Foundation. All winners are also featured in the 2022 calendar.

Additionally, participants in the annual art contests held by the local Affordable Housing Management Associations (AHMAs) are eligible to be selected as Regional AHMA Art Contest Honorable Mentions. Those chosen for this distinction are featured in a special section of the 2022 NAHMA Drug-Free Kids Calendar and receive a \$100 educational scholarship.

For the contest, the artwork is divided into categories with winners selected from each of the following: kindergarten-first grade, second-third grade, fourth-sixth grade, seventh-ninth grade, and 10th-12th grade, and finally, seniors and residents with special needs. Only students are eligible for the grand prize.

The following lists this year's national program <u>winners</u>, with their ages at time of submission, grade completed in June 2021/contest category, the community where they live, the management company, and the name of the AHMA that submitted their artwork:

GRAND PRIZEWINNER

Angie Montero, 17; 11th grade; Lakeside Towers, Miami, Fla.; Royal American Management;
 SAHMA

NATIONAL WINNERS

- Cordesia A. Davis, 14; Ninth grade; Sunflower Lane Apartments, Clarksdale, Miss.; The Michaels Organization; SAHMA
- Patricia A. Funk, 63; Seniors & Residents with Special Needs; Rockwood Village Apartments, Rockwood, Tenn.; Benchmark Management; SAHMA
- Nikki Gillespie, 73; Seniors & Residents with Special Needs; Carson Retirement Residence,
 Pittsburgh, Penn.; Congregate Management Services (CMS); PAHMA
- Tiffany Gunawan, 9; Third grade; Market Mill Apartments, Lowell, Mass.; Peabody Properties Inc.; NEAHMA
- Simran K. Heyer, 11; Sixth grade; Los Robles Apartments, Union City, Calif.; EAH Inc.; AHMA-NCH
- Sukhmanjit K. Heyer, 17; 12th grade; Los Robles Apartments, Union City, Calif.; EAH Inc.; AHMA-NCH
- Ali Kramen, 55; Seniors & Residents with Special Needs; Council Groves Apartments, Missoula, Mont.; Tamarack Property Management; Rocky AHMA
- Lucy Lopez, 12; Sixth grade; Council Groves Apartments, Missoula, Mont.; Tamarack Property Management; Rocky AHMA
- Ruby Lopez, 9; Third grade; Council Groves Apartments, Missoula, Mont.; Tamarack Property Management; Rocky AHMA
- Brendon McKinnon, 18; 12th grade; Council Groves Apartments, Missoula, Mont.; Tamarack Property Management; Rocky AHMA
- A'Niyah Murphy-Brown, 9; Third grade; Plaza Manor, Jacksonville, N.C.; Westminster Company; SAHMA
- Aritha Peaks, 52; Seniors & Residents with Special Needs; Community Properties of Ohio, Michigan School, Columbus, Ohio; Community Properties of Ohio; MAHMA
- JaKhari Scott, 7; First grade; North Hills Manor, Meridian, Miss.; The Michaels Organization; SAHMA

HONORABLE MENTIONS

- Deborah Holt, 71; Seniors & Residents with Special Needs; Cornerstone Village, Pittsburgh, Penn.; McCormack Baron Management; PAHMA
- Noah Merritt, 12; Seventh grade; Rowan Towers, Trenton, N.J.; The Michaels Organization;
 JAHMA
- Jean Mistretta, 79; Seniors & Residents with Special Needs; Linwood Mill Apartments, Whitinsville, Mass.; Peabody Properties Inc.; NEAHMA
- Ana Lucia Montemayor, 14; Eighth grade; Laredo Manor, Laredo, Texas; Prospera Housing Community Services; SWAHMA
- Emery Vasquez, 9; Third grade; Las Palmas Gardens Apartments, San Antonio, Texas; Prospera Housing Community Services; SWAHMA

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