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PHFA employee honored as 2018 ‘Woman of Excellence’

HARRISBURG – Nichole Kindred, an employee with the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency, has been named as a Woman of Excellence by the New Pittsburgh Courier. She is one of 50 African American women in the Pittsburgh region recognized with this honor in 2018.

All 50 women will be featured in a special commemorative issue to be published Oct. 10, recognizing their professional accomplishments as well as their community involvement. They also will be honored during a luncheon at the Wyndham Grand Pittsburgh Downtown Hotel on Oct. 12.

“We’re grateful to have Nichole on our staff, and we’re so pleased that she’s won this local recognition,” said Brian A. Hudson Sr., PHFA executive director and CEO. “Not only does she help others through her daily work, but she’s highly involved in her community, as well.”

Born and raised in Pittsburgh, Nichole moved to California in 1992. There she honed her property management skills in multifamily, acquisition/rehabilitation, ground-up construction, and lease-up at Intervest Resources, Beacon Properties, Property Management Associates, Grubb and Ellis Management Services and nonprofit developer Venice Community Housing Corporation.

Kindred has worked in the Housing Management Division of PHFA since 2010. In her job, she performs management reviews and provides oversight on a portfolio of affordable housing properties in western Pennsylvania. She has extensive knowledge of federal, state and local government-funded housing programs, including Section 8, tax credits and bond financing.

Kindred has earned many professional designations including Assisted Housing Manager, Certified Professional of Occupancy, and National Affordable Housing Professional. She speaks regularly at conferences and training sessions on the topics of compliance, fair housing, marketing and housing occupancy.

In addition to her expertise in the workplace, Kindred supports others through her involvement with Sisters Lifting as We Climb, the Beltzhoover Neighborhood Council Advisory Board, the State Employees Combined Appeal, the Lupus Foundation of Pennsylvania, and Gastroparesis PACT. She has secured hundreds of thousands of dollars in foundation funding for nonprofits as a grant writer while a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

About PHFA

The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency works to provide affordable homeownership and rental housing options for older adults, low- and moderate-income families, and people with special housing needs. Through its carefully managed mortgage programs and investments in multifamily housing developments, PHFA also promotes economic development across the state. Since its creation by the legislature in 1972, it has generated more than \$13.9 billion of funding for more than 173,000 single-

family home mortgage loans, helped fund the construction of 134,507 rental units, and saved the homes of more than 49,400 families from foreclosure. PHFA programs and operations are funded primarily by the sale of securities and from fees paid by program users, not by public tax dollars. The agency is governed by a 14-member board.

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