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USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT ANNOUNCES SITE MANAGER OF THE YEAR

WEST COLUMBIA, TEXAS, October 20, 2004 – Bryan Daniel, USDA Rural Development State Director, announced Ms. Linda Lane as the Texas 2004 Site Manager of the Year for the agency's Multi-Family Housing program. This award is presented annually to recognize the contribution of dedicated site managers serving tenants in properties financed through the agency's Rural Rental Housing program. Ms. Lane is the site manager of the Brooks Manor Apartments, a 50-unit family complex in West Columbia, Texas. She was presented the award by Russell Krueger, Area Director and Deborah Wright, Rural Development Manager.

"The site managers guarantee the success of our housing complexes and we believe that we should recognize excellent performance," said Daniel. "The residents of Brooks Manor Apartments are fortunate to have Linda Lane as their site manager."



From left to right: Rusty Krueger, USDA Rural Development Area Director, Linda Lane, Site Manager of the Year and Robert Caplan, President, Diversified Housing

USDA Rural Development local offices throughout the state recommend nominees based upon tenant satisfaction, property curbside appeal, accurate and complete record keeping and consistent performance of actions above and beyond the call of duty.

USDA Rural Development administers programs designed to strengthen the economy and infrastructure of rural areas. Through its support of the sustainable development of rural communities, USDA Rural Development works to increase economic opportunities and enhance the quality of life in rural America.

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