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Detroit Metropolitan Apartment Association Wins NAA PARAGON Education Award

April 15, 2010—The Detroit Metropolitan Apartment Association (DMAA) has been named winner of the 2010 National Apartment Association (NAA) PARAGON Award for Education.

NAA's PARAGON awards program recognizes the multifamily housing industry's top communities, executives, employees and affiliate programs. The DMAA will receive its award during a presentation at the 2010 NAA Education Conference & Exposition, to be held June 24-26 in New Orleans.

The DMAA staff and Education Committee worked hard to create a program that included timely and relevant topics, of interest to the multi-family housing industry. The program provides necessary education for all potential participants, no matter what their level or position in the business. Each year the program includes popular annual topics, as well as new subjects which are added to meet the demands of the membership. This keeps the program fresh and up to date with industry issues. Overall, the DMAA Education Program offers high quality learning experiences for property professionals and business partners. All CAM, NALP, CAPS or CAMT designation instructors have to successfully complete the NAAEI Advanced Instructor Training program before they can teach the modules or course. This ensures consistent, high quality instructing. Additional subject matter experts were hand selected to cover the other seminars in the curriculum. The ongoing mission and goal of the DMAA and their Education Committee is to provide state of the art training at affordable pricing to every member.

NAA President Douglas Culkin, CAE, said, "As a strong national federation, an annual awards program is one of the most critical programs we provide. By sharing the following profiles on the winning individuals, communities and organizations, all members of our industry are able to see these models of excellence, and share in these best practices."

A list of all winners and details about each will appear in the September 2010 issue of NAA's *units* magazine.

About NAA: The National Apartment Association (NAA) is America's leading advocate for quality rental housing. Based in Arlington, Va., NAA's mission is to serve the interests of multifamily housing owners, managers, developers and suppliers and maintain a high level of professionalism in the multifamily housing industry to better serve the rental housing needs of the public. NAA is a federation of nearly 170 state and local affiliates, comprised of more than 51,000 multifamily housing members representing more than 6.1 million apartment homes throughout the United States and Canada. Members in good standing of any affiliated association are automatically considered members of NAA and entitled to NAA benefits.