

# DVRPC NEWS

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## SEVEN HONORED AT DVRPC'S SECOND ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF REGIONAL EXCELLENCE

**O**n June 4, 2003, 400 guests joined DVRPC in celebrating the extraordinary contributions to the region made by seven honorees. Other highlights of this Celebration of Regional Excellence dinner, held at the Park Hyatt at the Bellevue in Philadelphia, included the announcement of millions of dollars in community grants, and a visit from Philadelphia **Mayor John F. Street**.

### AWARDS WERE PRESENTED TO:

→ **Governor Mark Schweiker**

President, Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, Elected Official of the Year, Pennsylvania

→ **New Jersey Assemblyman Louis Greenwald**

Elected Official of the Year, New Jersey

→ **Ms. Faye Moore**

General Manager, SEPTA, Regional Leader of the Year

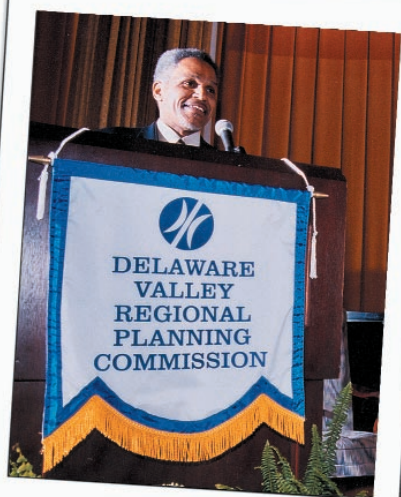
→ **City of Camden's Revitalization Program**

New Jersey Regional Program of the Year, with **New Jersey Senator Wayne Bryant** accepting.

→ **University of Pennsylvania's Community Development Program**

Pennsylvania Regional Program of the Year, with University Vice President **Carol Scheman** accepting.

→ Special Recognition Awards for Excellence in Public Broadcasting were presented to: **NJN Public Television and Radio**, Executive Director **Elizabeth Christopherson** accepting; and **WHYY Public Television and Radio**, Vice President and Station Manager **Paul Gluck** accepting.




Philadelphia Mayor John F. Street joined in the celebration honoring the award winners.



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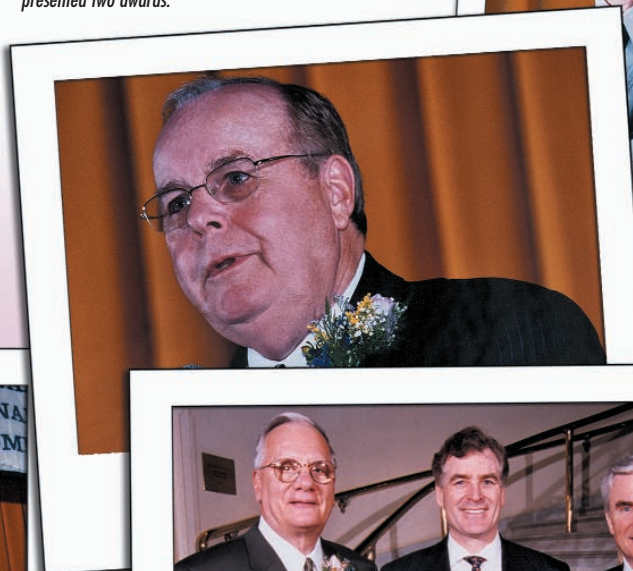


## ...CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE

DVRPC Board Secretary and Camden County Freeholder **Thomas Gurick** kept the audience entertained as emcee for the evening. Assisting Mr. Gurick in presenting the awards were: **Colin Hanna**, Chester County Commissioner and Board Treasurer; **Jerald R. Cureton, Esq.**, Burlington County Representative and Board Member; **Jack Lettiere**, NJDOT Commissioner and Board Vice Chairman; and **Charles Martin**, Bucks County Commissioner and DVRPC Board Chairman. 

→ RIGHT Burlington County representative **Jerald R. Cureton, Esq.** presents the New Jersey Program of the Year award.

↓ BELOW FY 2003 DVRPC Board Chair **Charles Martin** presented two awards.



**Thomas Gurick**, the evening's Master of Ceremonies.



**John J. Coscia**, Pennsylvania Elected Official of the Year **Mark Schweiker**, and **Colin Hanna**.



**Ms. Faye Moore**, General Manager, SEPTA, accepts the award for Regional Leader of the Year.



**Jack Lettiere**, DVRPC Board Vice Chair, presents the New Jersey Official of the Year award to Assemblyman **Louis Greenwald**.



# DVRPC GRANTS \$1.5 MILLION FOR REVITALIZATION PROJECTS

## 24 Municipalities In Pennsylvania And New Jersey Receive Funds

For the second year in a row, DVRPC awarded **Transportation and Community Development Initiative (TCDI)** grants at the Celebration of Regional Excellence. Twenty-four area municipalities will share \$1.5 million in grants to support local development efforts in communities that implement municipal, county, state and regional planning objectives. The TCDI program assists in reversing the trends of disinvestment and decline in many of the region's core cities and first generation suburbs by supporting local planning projects that will lead to more residential, employment or retail opportunities; by improving the overall character and quality of life within these communities to retain business and residents; by enhancing and using the existing transportation infrastructure capacity in these areas to reduce demands on the transportation network; and by reducing congestion and improving the transportation system's efficiency. 🚲



Representatives from each of the 24 municipalities were recognized at the Celebration for Regional Excellence in June.

### DVRPC 2003 Transportation and Community Development Initiative Projects (APPLICANT, PROJECT NAME, FUNDING)

#### NEW JERSEY

##### **Burlington County**

▼ Burlington Township  
Bike and Pedestrian Plan, \$40,000

##### **Camden County**

▼ City of Camden  
Downtown Transit Plan, \$78,000

▼ Pennsauken  
Brownfield Redevelopment, \$70,000

▼ Route 30  
Market Feasibility Study, \$56,000

▼ Woodlynne  
Central Business District Plan, \$14,800

##### **Gloucester County**

▼ Glassboro  
Getting Around Glassboro, \$78,000

▼ Monroe Township  
Sidewalk Plan, \$48,000

##### **Mercer County**

▼ Hightstown  
Transit Corridor Redevelopment Plan, \$43,200

▼ City of Trenton  
Capital District Jitney Service Plan, \$70,000

#### PENNSYLVANIA

##### **Bucks County**

▼ Bristol Borough  
Municipal Planning Update, \$48,000

▼ Bristol Township  
Town Center Revitalization, \$50,000

##### **Chester County**

▼ Coatesville  
Flats Reuse and Waterfront, \$45,000

▼ Downingtown  
Keystone Opportunity Zone, \$100,000

▼ West Grove  
Retail Market Assessment, \$32,000

##### **Delaware County**

▼ Lansdowne  
Redevelopment Area Plan, \$40,000

▼ Upper Darby  
Feasibility to Widen Union Avenue, \$33,750

##### **Montgomery County**

▼ Conshohocken  
Downtown-Riverfront Linkage, \$48,600

▼ Jenkintown  
Downtown Jenkintown, \$100,000

▼ Narberth  
Montgomery Avenue Business District, \$98,845

▼ Norristown  
Business Improvement District, \$100,000

##### **City of Philadelphia**

▼ Allegheny West Corridor, \$75,000

▼ Center City Parking Study, \$76,000

▼ Reinvestment Guidelines, \$75,000

▼ West Market Corridor Plan, \$75,000



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