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CDFA Excellence in Development Finance Awards: 2012 Call for Entries & Nominations

Columbus, OH – CDFA is now seeking entries and nominations for the 2012 **CDFA Excellence in Development Finance Awards**, which focus on 10 different areas. The **CDFA Excellence in Development Finance Awards** recognize outstanding development finance programs, agencies, leaders, projects and success stories. These awards, presented to award winners annually at the CDFA National Development Finance Summit, honor excellence in the use of financing tools for economic development, as well as the individuals who champion these efforts. Organizations may nominate themselves and/or their projects for these awards. Individuals may also nominate themselves, or be nominated by their peers and colleagues.

The **CDFA Excellence in Development Finance Awards** cover a wide variety of financing tools and provide for both the public and private sector to be honored. Creative and innovative entries are highly welcomed, and the private sector is strongly encouraged to collaborate with their public sector partners on submissions. These awards honor excellence, leadership and the creative use of development finance tools, such as bonds, TIF, tax credits and access to capital. The awards also honor the cutting edge use of development finance tools to support innovation and energy development. Finally, these awards honor individuals and agencies alike to build a distinguished and recognized development finance industry.

Entries and nominations for the **CDFA Excellence in Development Finance Awards** will be accepted through May 4, 2012. The following are the 10 award opportunities:

- **CDFA Lifetime Achievement Award**
- **CDFA Federal Development Finance Leadership Award**
- **CDFA Distinguished Development Finance Leadership Award**
- **CDFA Distinguished Development Finance Agency Award (State Agency)**
- **CDFA Distinguished Development Finance Agency Award (Local Agency)**
- **CDFA Excellence in Bond Finance Award**
- **CDFA Excellence in Tax Increment Finance Award**
- **CDFA Excellence in Tax Credit Finance Award**
- **CDFA Excellence in Energy Finance Award**
- **CDFA Excellence in Access to Capital Finance Award**

Complete information, submission criteria and National Development Finance Summit information is available online. To learn more about each award please visit www.cdfa.net or contact CDFA at etehan@cda.net.

The **Council of Development Finance Agencies** is a national association dedicated to the advancement of development finance concerns and interests. CDFA is comprised of the nation's leading and most knowledgeable members of the development finance community representing public, private and non-profit entities alike. For more information about CDFA, visit www.cdfa.net.

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