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CDFA Announces Excellence in Development Finance Program Award —Presented to City of Dublin, Development Finance Authority of Summit County, Columbus-Franklin County Finance Authority, and Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority—

Columbus, OH – The Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA) is proud to announce the City of Dublin, Development Finance Authority of Summit County, Columbus-Franklin County Finance Authority, and the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority as the winners of the 2018 CDFA Distinguished Development Finance Project Award for their Bridge Park Project in Dublin, OH.

The CDFA Excellence in Development Finance Awards recognize outstanding development finance programs, agencies, leaders, projects and success stories. These awards honor excellence in the use of financing tools for economic development, as well as individuals who champion these efforts.

Bridge Park is a 30-acre redevelopment project located along the Scioto River in the heart of Dublin Ohio's Bridge Street District. The new urban, walkable community includes more than one million square feet of mixed-use office, retail, restaurant and housing developed by Dublin-based Crawford Hoying, The project demonstrates what happens when multiple finance authorities, a progressive city and a creative private developer utilize an array of financing tools to create an amazing development for the surrounding community. With many forms of financing at play to pay for the more than \$500 million public-private project, the City of Dublin contributed \$43.1 million to the project's parking and roadway infrastructure. Through partnerships and collaboration with the Development Finance Authority of Summit County, the Columbus-Franklin County Finance Authority, and the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority, more than \$157 million in bonds have been issued to support the multiple phases of this project. This funding financed four parking garages, condominium and apartment units, office space, a 150-room hotel, a conference/events facility, and numerous retail and restaurant spaces that will be enjoyed by the Dublin community and the visitors to the City for years to come. To learn more about the Bridge Park go to **bridge-park.com**.

"CDFA is proud to honor the City of Dublin, the Development Finance Authority of Summit County, the Columbus-Franklin County Finance Authority, and the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority, as well as their private development partner, Crawford Hoying, for their achievement with the Bridge Park Project. This model is innovative and inspiring for future development finance projects in both suburban and urban areas," said Toby Rittner, President & CEO of CDFA.

The CDFA Excellence in Development Finance Awards will be formally presented at the 2018 CDFA National Development Finance Summit, in Dallas, TX on November 8.

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