

**The American Association for Women in
Community Colleges**

**2010 AWARDS
Model Programs
for
Community College Women**

AAWCC Community College Award
Equip Women for Growth: A Peer to Peer Mentoring Program
Mercer County Community College AAWCC Chapter
Mercer County Community College
Trenton, New Jersey

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Developing Future Leaders – One Step at a Time
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Aims Community College
Greeley, Colorado



Many exciting and effective programs in community colleges address the special needs of women. The AAWCC Board of Directors established annual awards for Model Programs to recognize outstanding efforts by colleges and AAWCC Chapters. The AAWCC 2010 Model Program Award winners are described in the following pages. Program descriptions were edited directly from the award applications.

AAWCC Community College Award

Equip Women for Growth: A Peer to Peer Mentoring Program

Mercer County Community College AAWCC Chapter
Mercer County Community College
Trenton, New Jersey

Equip Women for Growth: A Peer to Peer Mentoring Program is a nine month program which is available to all staff and faculty at the college and sponsored by the AAWCC Chapter at Mercer County Community College. The mission of the program is to provide an opportunity for women to connect and communicate the rich flow of ideas and information between mentor and mentee. This connection fosters leadership, in addition to professional, educational, and personal growth with the objective of equipping the participant to maximize their full leadership potential. Ultimately, succession planning and the achievements of women in the workplace are promoted. The mentoring curriculum provides the structure and flexibility for the unique peer to peer relationships in the program. Participants have a guide which helps them create professional goals and work on leadership skills.

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AAWCC Chapter Award

Frederick Community College Chapter of AAWCC

Frederick Community College
Frederick, Maryland

The mission of the Frederick Community College Chapter of AAWCC is to grow leadership, enhance membership, and build on relationships within the college, community, state, and regions of AAWCC. The chapter goal is to be the premier chapter model for other local state, and regional community colleges. Chapter programming efforts continue to build on their accomplishments through structured initiatives in the areas of Chapter Growth and Development, Leadership Development Programs; and committees which focus on Community Service, Marketing, Scholarships,

Programs, and Membership. The chapter mission and goal have been planned, developed and implemented with the ultimate goal of being a model for other AAWCC chapters. Examples of initiatives include the implementation of a nine month Phi Theta Kappa Leadership Development Program, a chapter website, food and pajama drive for the community, and support for homeless women and children.

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AAWCC Program Award

Developing Future Leaders – One Step at a Time

Rocky Mountain AAWCC Chapter
Aims Community College
Greeley, Colorado

Professional development offerings, networking, and philanthropic activities are the three focal points of the model program, *Developing Future Leaders – One Step at a Time*. The seminar series is designed to serve the needs of individuals interested in exploring the various facets of leadership: focus and vision, diversity, organizational culture, negotiations, and the “the path and the pitfalls”. The seminars, led by nationally recognized subject experts, have provided tools necessary in preparing for the path to leadership. Unique to this leadership seminar series is the regional invitation, as well as the regional response to the program, from nine colleges in the region (Region VIII). Community involvement has included an emphasis on volunteer opportunities for Habitat for Humanity, Central Colorado Water Conservancy District, College Goal Sunday, and local women in domestic violence situations.

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