



## 2013 AWARDS

### **TERESA BRICE LEADERSHIP AWARD**

#### **Dave Richins, Councilmember, City of Mesa**

The support of 2<sup>nd</sup> term Mesa City Councilmember, Dave Richins, for 3 recent Low Income Housing Tax Credit applications was critical in ensuring that these projects were funded; in one case, it was the first residential development in downtown Mesa in 25 years. Dave was an active proponent of the projects, saying "It shouldn't matter who lives there, only that it is well-designed and well-managed." Thanks to Dave, Mesa residents and policy-makers are experiencing that "A-Ha!" moment as they see for themselves that affordable housing can add value to communities and be the catalyst for revitalization as well as serve those in need.