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DOORWAYS STAFF RECEIVES LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

St. Louis, MO – DOORWAYS Dietary Manager, Brenda Armour, has been selected to receive the inaugural St. Louis Red Ribbon Award for Lifetime Achievement.

Brenda Armour has served thousands of meals with love and careful attention in DOORWAYS' Cooper House program for over 20 years. Cooper House opened in 1997 to serve people who were unable to live independently as a result of HIV/AIDS. The fully accessible three-story building offers 36 private rooms with baths, 24-hour protective oversight and nursing care, a dining room, commercial kitchen, recreational areas and administrative offices. Cooper House is the only program of its kind in the region and was one of the first in the United States to provide intensive residential services to people living with HIV/AIDS. The Lifetime Achievement Award will be presented at 6 PM on Friday, December 1 at the Missouri History Museum as part of the St. Louis World AIDS Day activities.

DOORWAYS is a nonprofit organization which works to provide housing and supportive services to people affected by HIV with the intention of improving quality of life and health outcomes. DOORWAYS' programs and services benefit those affected by HIV/AIDS in the 15-county St. Louis metropolitan area, 62 under-served counties in outstate Missouri and another 55 under-served counties in outstate Illinois.

World AIDS Day is held on December 1 each year and is an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV/AIDS. This year's event will take place from 3-7 PM in the Grand Hall of the Missouri History Museum.

For more information on DOORWAYS or World AIDS Day please contact Karen Carpentier at 314-328-2704 or kcarpentier@doorwayshousing.org. To volunteer or to donate please visit www.doorwayshousing.org.

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