

## ***CLEARING THE PATH AWARD***

### **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:**

The Mayor's Committee on Disability Concerns was formed fifty-eight years ago to help ensure the workplace rights of people with disabilities. Since then, federal legislation has been enacted making not only workplaces but all public spaces accessible and safer for all of us.

The MCDC supports the concept of building residential spaces that make Oklahoma City accessible to everyone. To that end nominations are being accepted for any contractor or individual who is embracing "Universal Design" and *CLEARING THE PATH* for all of us who live in Oklahoma City.

There are three primary features that qualify a residence for nomination in the **MCDC Clearing the Path** Competition:

1. **Clear Access** – a step free entrance into the central living area of the home from a driveway, sidewalk or firm route into the main floor.
2. **Clear Passage** – ample space to pass through doorways (32" minimum, clear) on the main floor as well as turn around space for a wheel chair (5' diameter)
3. **Clear Use** - A bedroom, kitchen, entertainment area and a full bathroom with sufficient maneuvering space for a wheelchair all located on the main floor accessible via the step-free entrance.

### **NOMINATION FORM**

#### **Accessible Residences**

Two documents (a checklist and illustrations) are available on our website [www.okc.gov/council/disability\\_concerns](http://www.okc.gov/council/disability_concerns) or contact <[jasongearge@cox.net](mailto:jasongearge@cox.net)> to help explain and clarify what qualities make a residence a candidate for the **2009 MCDC - Clearing the Path Award**.

Nominee may include TEAMS who create an accessible residence as well as the owner. Teams could include Architect, Home Designer, Contractor/Builder, Interior Designer, Landscape Architect or "other" parts of the team. It is the residence itself that is the award winner, as that is ultimately the purpose of the award.

### **NOMINEE:**

Address of Residence –  
Homeowner or TEAM information –  
Contact Info -  
Telephone -  
E-mail -

Please include photographs and other supporting information, floor plans etc. C

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Reasons why you think this home should receive the *Clearing the Path* Award -

SUBMITTED BY -

Name -

Address -

Telephone –

E-mail -

Date Submitted -

Please send this form to:

**Jason Johnston**

**MCDC** *Clearing the Path Award*

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or

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[jasongeorge@cox.net](mailto:jasongeorge@cox.net)

**NOMINATIONS ARE DUE BY OCTOBER 1, 2009**

The award will be presented at the Annual MCDC luncheon on October 29, 2009.