



CHANGING LANDSCAPES CHANGING LIVES

TheDCH won national recognition for our **Trees for Energy Conservation** campaign in Delaware City, an effort to plant trees and educate the public about the energy benefits of trees. In 2013, the campaign resulted in 120 plantings for conservation. It also won the Public Service Campaign category from the National Federation of Press Women.

Our **Secret Garden volunteers** received the 2012 Governor's Outstanding Volunteer Service Award in the Environmental category for their longtime dedication to educating underserved preschoolers with weekly hands-on indoor-outdoor lessons. The volunteers have donated more than 6,000 hours and impacted the lives of 300 children.

TheDCH's **Urban Farm** in Wilmington won the Garden Club of America Founders Fund Award in 2010, capturing the top prize of \$25,000. In 2012, the farm also won a Suburban Greening Award from the Pennsylvania Horticulture Society.

In 2012, TheDCH was named **Business Community Champion** by New Destiny Community Development Corporation.

The City of Wilmington, supported by TheDCH won the first-ever Tree City USA Growth Award for achievement in **Urban Forestry** in 2011, a national award from the Arbor Day Foundation. That year, the city supported by TheDCH also won the Tree City USA award for the 17th time.

TheDCH's Wilmington-wide **City Gardens Contest** was featured in *Small Gardens*, a national niche publication, in 2011.

In 2011, Wilmington honored Executive Director Pam Sapko for her **Community Revitalization** efforts, including TheDCH's Return to Work Program, a green jobs initiative for ex-offenders, and her service to numerous organizations that support city greening efforts.

Wilmington also honored TheDCH in 2009 for its outstanding contribution to the **Cool Spring Reservoir** project.

The Delaware Nursery and Landscape Association honored TheDCH with its **Landscape Design** award in 2010 for our public landscape project in Wilmington's Little Italy.

Our Urban Forest, a publication about improving Wilmington's tree canopy, won the Gold Award in 2010 by the Garden Writers Association and the Eco Award of Excellence from Global Environmental Communications.

Hedgeville Community Garden was honored in the Global Summit for a Better Tomorrow by Avon in 2007. The garden was also featured in Ladies Home Journal.

Martin Luther King Boulevard **Traffic Medians** maintained by TheDCH won the Suburban Greening Award from the Pennsylvania Horticulture Society in 2007.

TheDCH's **Tree Program** received the U.S. Conference of Mayors Award of Excellence for Community Trees in 2007, which was accompanied by \$75,000 from the Home Depot Foundation, allowing TheDCH to rewrite Wilmington's vegetation code.

SELECTED AWARDS

TheDCH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

*TheDCH is proud
of the public
recognition
our quality
programs,
events, advocacy,
greening work,
& publications
have garnered
through the
years.*

