

DESIGN COLLECTIVE PROJECT WINS BEST IN AMERICA LIVING AWARD

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Baltimore, Maryland - Design Collective, Inc. is pleased to announce that the Maple Lawn community has won a Best in America Living Award for the Best Smart Growth Community with 151 Units and Over from Professional Builder Magazine and the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB).

Maple Lawn, located in Howard County, MD, is a 600-acre mixed-use community planned as a Traditional Neighborhood Development (TND) conceived for Greenebaum & Rose Associates. As both architect and planner, Design Collective prepared the master plan in accordance with the objectives of Maryland's State Smart Growth policy. As a sustainable development, Maple Lawn effectively combines 1.2 million square feet of commercial and retail space in the Business District with four distinct residential neighborhoods containing 1,340 housing units. The community also includes an 11,000 square foot community center with tennis courts, a pool, children's pool and a playground. Such a diverse and walkable neighborhood promotes greater social interaction, reduced reliance upon the automobile and a more efficient utilization of land resources.

The awards will be given out during the NAHB International Builders' Show on Tuesday, February 6, 2007.

ABOUT DESIGN COLLECTIVE, INC.:

Design Collective is an award-winning multi-disciplinary design firm headquartered in Baltimore, Maryland, with a branch office in Durham, North Carolina. Founded in 1978, the firm provides innovative solutions nationally and internationally in architecture, planning, landscape architecture, and interior architecture. For additional information, please visit www.designcollective.com.