

This year's University Excellence Award recipients have been selected. Please join us in congratulating Facilities' 2017 Excellence Award recipients:

Diversity: Tracy Mansour, Director, Auxiliary Housing Service: Joanna Saltonstall, Program Manager

Tracy's impact has been broad and includes: Leading the Auxiliary Housing office, while reducing operating expenses. Overseeing the Brown-to-Brown Home Ownership program. Providing housing support for students, faculty, and senior management relocating to Rhode Island, including those in need of housing during crisis such as relocating from the Middle East or relocating as a result of the devastating hurricanes. Having worked tirelessly, to meet the housing needs of those individuals as well as the needs of other students and faculty, Tracy demonstrates her commitment every day to Brown's mission to "serve the community, nation and the world ...."

"What Joanna accomplished over the last year has been nothing short of amazing as it relates to the program management for the new South Street Landing building." Two and a half years into the project, Joanna assumed the role of project manager for, by nearly everyone's definition, one of Rhode Island's most complex development projects in the state's recent history—a project that involved numerous parties, including third party developers, the State of Rhode Island, National Grid, Gilbane Building Company, and two separate architect teams. In addition, the complexity of the project was increased by the plan to relocate and consolidate eleven administrative departments, each with different concerns and programmatic requirements, and to change the manner in which we occupy and organize workspace. Having worked tirelessly, Joanna brought a fresh perspective to the project and was instrumental in enhancing key project components such as interior design and layout, furniture systems, technology, and common areas. Joanna managed the project with enthusiasm, grace and professionalism despite obstacles far too numerous to identify.

Congratulations Tracy and Joanna. Your recognition is well deserved!

In addition, congratulations to the following Facilities Management staff who were nominated this year.

Marianne Beagan-Quirk, Donna Caprio, Michael Flint, Christopher Janicki, Nick Mol, Achim Tah, Beatriz Tibercio, Alla Yegutkin, and team Erin Donnellan and Jess Berry

Congratulations to all for representing the University and Facilities Management in a way that is deserving of recognition. President Paxson will present awards to those staff members and recognize Years of Service at B.E.A.R. Day on Tuesday, February 20, 2018.

Sincerely,

John. Mike. and Paul

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