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**An Unstoppable Trio!**  
**Jim Shriver, Phyllis Grondalski and Kim Howes receive**  
**The Association For Community Living's**  
**Partner in Philanthropy Award**

**THE ASSOCIATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING** announced that local Western Massachusetts residents Jim Shriver of Longmeadow, Phyllis Grondalski of Wilbraham, and Kim Howes of Northampton are the recipients of its annual Partner in Philanthropy Award. The announcement was made at The Association's 57th Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony on Tuesday, June 15, 2010 at The Log Cabin Banquet and Meeting House in Holyoke.

Every year The Association honors award recipients for their dedication to The Association For Community Living and its mission to create opportunities, build relationships and improve lives for children and adults with autism, Down syndrome and other developmental disabilities and others who will benefit from their services.

This year, however, was a unique celebration because it marked the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Association's annual campaign. The Partner in Philanthropy Award was presented in honor of this 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The award recipients, Board Members Phyllis Grondalski, Kim Howes, and Jim Shriver have all served on the Campaign Committee since its inception.

The success and growth The Association's annual campaign has involved the passionate and tireless drive of these 3 individuals. More than 15 years ago, Shriver, Grondalski and Howes recognized the need for the agency to diversify its revenue. In 1995 The Association held its first campaign and since then has held 15 annual campaigns. In 1995, The Association raised \$20,000. This year, in 2010 they are on track to raise \$400,000.

Grondalski, Shriver and Howes are unstoppable in what they will do to promote The Association's much needed services in Western Massachusetts and northern Worcester County. Each has been a Board Member for more than 15 years, each has serve on the Development Committee since it was

first created, and each has been a solicitor for the campaign for 15 years. They have a passion for The Association's mission, and they care about the children, adults and families they serve.

Great friends, Phyllis Grondalski of Wilbraham; Kim Howes of Northampton and Jim Shriver of Longmeadow are a solid team. Although each one has contributed his or her unique talents to help grow The Association, together they are unstoppable. They have consistently and diligently provided the vision and leadership to make The Association a leader among providers in the state. Grondalski, Howes and Shriver have made the heart of The Association For Community Living's mission – caring for children, adults and families – a vibrant reality for members of this community.

The Association provides support, resources and programs in Western Massachusetts and northern Worcester County to over 1,648 individuals with developmental disabilities. To make a donation or discuss gifts of stock, insurance or charitable planned gifts to The Association For Community Living, please contact Beverly Herbert, Director of Development, at (800) 536-2910, or visit the website at [www.theassn.org](http://www.theassn.org).