



# City of Burnsville

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## **BURNSVILLE CITY COUNCIL AWARDS SIX 'COMMUNITY BUILDERS'**

The Burnsville City Council presented six members of the Burnsville community with their annual "Community Builder" award at the Oct. 22 City Council Meeting. This year, awards were presented to:

**Bill Ganz, 360 Communities Volunteer:** Ganz began volunteering with 360 Communities in 2007. Since then, he has volunteered more than 5,100 hours – primarily through leading the Burnsville Food Shelf and volunteering at the Eagan Lewis House.

**Burnsville Lions Club:** The Burnsville Lions Club has been serving Burnsville since 1966. In 2013, they donated funds for a number of community projects, including \$50,000 for new equipment at the Lions Playground in Cliff Fen Park; \$50,000 to Fairview Ridges Hospital, which will be used to refurbish two inpatient pediatric rooms with an "animal" theme; and \$20,000 in matching grant funds to support improvements at THE GARAGE youth center.

**Cornerstone Copy Center of Burnsville:** Owners Daniel Mahowlad and Warren D. Mosier have a long history of donating services to multiple Burnsville civic groups and endeavors. Their efforts to support organizations and events with "in-kind" services or reduced costs have contributed greatly to the volunteer efforts of numerous Burnsville residents and businesses.

**Fay Finn, Independent School District 191 (ISD 191):** Fay Finn is the Youth Service Specialist with ISD 191 Community Education. She has worked with thousands of Burnsville High School students to get them excited about volunteering in schools, businesses, non-profit organizations, churches and community events. In the past school year, Burnsville High School students recorded more than 9,000 volunteer hours. Finn was also instrumental in creating BrainPower in a Backpack, which provides for weekend meals for students in need.

**Options Family & Behavior Services – Brian Sammon:** For 15 years, Options Family & Behavior Services in Burnsville has provided adolescent day services for teens who need help managing mental or chemical health concerns. They provide a safe place where youth can come to feel heard, supported and challenged to rise above their current struggles.

**Ramsey Boyd, Manager of Colonial Villa:** Boyd has taken it upon himself to improve the Colonial Villa Community in Burnsville. Through his actions, he has encouraged the property owners to fund a number of renovations and repairs. He has also worked tirelessly with Burnsville's Police and Fire departments to quickly address concerns, and bring the complexes' aging buildings into compliance with fire and building codes.

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