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Community Pride Design Awards honor innovation

Nine area projects received Community Pride Design Awards Nov. 10 to recognize innovative approaches to architectural design, community and environmental enhancement, public facilities and commercial development. The 13th annual awards were coordinated by Clark County and the city of Vancouver.

The winners are: Captain William Clark Park at Cottonwood Beach, Washougal Downtown Improvements,

Columbia Credit Union's Washougal branch, Clark College's Gaiser Hall renovation, the Columbian Building, Innovative Services NW – Mary Firstenburg Family Center, Grand Central, Marshall Community Center and the Vancouver Land Bridge (shown at left).

Honorable mentions went to the first phase of Battle Ground Village, Cold Creek Industrial Park, Jeremiah's House and Amboy Middle School.

The 23-member selection committee was made up of representatives of public and private development entities, including public officials, builders,

engineers, architects, educators, a neighborhood association and city and county staff.

—Megan Patrick-Vaughn