



This award recognizes the work of former National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges (NASULGC) President Magrath, who promoted engagement as an integral part of the role and responsibilities of public universities and their faculty. NASULGC will present one of these individuals a \$20,000 award at its annual conference in November.

North Central Region

The Ohio State University

Engaged Partners: Improving the Lives of Children and Youth



Engaged Partners Improve Lives

Presenters: ■ David W. Andrews, Ph.D., Dean, College of Education and Human Ecology ■ Barbara Ludwig, Ph.D., Associate Dean, Outreach & Engagement, College of Education and Human Ecology

- Hear how Ohio State has forged three meaningful and creative collaborations to prepare children and youth for success:
 - The new Metro High School.
 - The Battelle Center for Mathematics and Science Education Policy.
 - The Early Childhood Development Center and Elementary School at Weinland Park.

West Region

Portland State University Community Watershed Stewardship Program (CWSP)

Expanding the Circle: Engaging Communities, Educating Citizens and Ensuring Watershed Health

Presenters: ■ Kevin Kecskes, Director, Community–University Partnerships, Portland State University ■ W. Barry Messer, Assistant Professor, Urban Studies and Planning, Portland State University ■ Stephen Shackman, Community Watershed Stewardship Program, City of Portland Environmental Services

The Community Watershed Stewardship Program (CWSP), a joint venture between the City of Portland Bureau of Environmental Services and Portland State University, has implemented more than 130 community projects in more than a dozen years involving 860 community groups and hundreds of PSU students and faculty members. Find out how the partnership has directly increased student learning, inspired faculty scholarship, and increased community capacity to improve watershed health in the Portland area. Through \$490,000 in grants and by providing support and technical assistance to partnering organizations, the CWSP has leveraged more than \$2 million in community support through donations of services, materials, and volunteer time.



South Region

Virginia Tech Institute for Advanced Learning and Research (IALR)

Title: Economic Transformation through Out-of-Region Engagement

Presenters: ■ Charles W. Steger, Ph.D., President, Virginia Tech ■ Virginia Hall, President, Institute for Advanced Learning and Research ■ Ben J. Davenport, President, Virginia Chamber of Commerce, and Vice Chair, Future of the Piedmont Foundation ■ Timothy Franklin, Ph.D. Director, Virginia Tech, Southside and Executive Director, Institute for Advanced Learning and Research ■ Nancy Franklin, Senior Director, Planning & Academic Program Development, Institute for Advanced Learning and Research

Virginia's economy is changing because of increased global competition. Virginia Tech acknowledged its larger role in statewide economic and community development by embracing a broad-scale engagement partnership with Southside (south central) Virginia to help this economically distressed region 120 miles away reinvent itself. Session participants will learn the processes and outcomes that have made this project a national model for university engagement.

Northeast Region

University of Connecticut

The Connecticut Center for Eliminating Health Disparities among Latinos (CEHDL)

Presenters: ■ Rafael Perez-Escamilla, Ph. D., Professor of Nutrition and Public Health, Principal Investigator & Director, Connecticut NIH EXPORT CEHDL ■ Nancy Bull, Associate Dean, Outreach and Public Service Associate Director, Cooperative Extension System

Discover how an evidence-based community-academic health care partnership has developed and is currently implementing best practices research, training, and outreach health and nutrition initiatives in the Latino community in Connecticut. CEHDL's mission

is to contribute to the elimination of health disparities among Latino/as through the formation of human resources, community-based research, and culturally appropriate outreach/extension.

1890/1994 Region

University of Maryland Eastern Shore

FARMS® (Farmer Access to Regional Markets)

Presenters: ■ Dr. Ronald Forsythe Jr., Vice President, Planning, Assessment, Technology & Commercialization ■ Daniel S. Kuennen, Director, Rural Development Center, Maryland Cooperative Extension & Special Assistant to the President for University Outreach & Community Engagement

Find out how this agricultural supply chain model developed by the Rural Development Center at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore, promotes agricultural development by providing fixed contracts and technical/logistical support to growers who normally wouldn't be utilizing greenhouse technology. Those new to farming and without substantial resources have been able to become contract growers, as have experienced farmers who were seeking to diversify and reduce risk.

