DALLAS, TX – For immediate release. The finalists for the 2019 ULI North Texas Impact Awards program have been selected by a jury comprised of members of the Urban Land Institute from across the country. The growing popularity of this Awards program is demonstrated by a record of nearly 40 Impact Award applications being submitted this year, creating a challenging job for the jury.

This marks the fifth year for the Impact Awards, which has quickly become a draw for the region’s leading developers, architects and designers. The Impact Awards gala will be highlighted by the awarding of the prestigious "Vision Award" to Craig Hall. Following presentation of the award, Hall will be interviewed on stage by his long-time friend and fellow developer, Lucy Billingsley. Previous Vision Award honorees include H. Ross Perot and Ross Perot, Jr., in 2015, the legacy of Trammell and Margaret Crow in 2016, Herb Weitzman in 2017, and Roger Staubach in 2018.

The Awards jury members devoted two days to visiting the application sites, traveling from renovation of historic buildings in downtown Dallas to a striking, modern, homeless day shelter in Fort Worth, and from the rebirth of Redbird mall as a mixed use development to the all-new development known as The Star in Frisco. “This year’s jury was focused on the ULI mission of creating and sustaining thriving communities. They quickly identified which developments were having a significant positive impact on their surroundings,” noted Pam Stein, Executive Director of ULI North Texas. “With several outstanding projects submitted by non-profits, they also determined that a new category should be created for Social Impact, so we will have a fifth award this year.”

Having reviewed the application materials submitted by the Award candidates and completed their on-site visits, the jury chose the following finalists:
Finalists for the Influence Award:
Arlington City Center, submitted by Catalyst Urban Development
The Comeback of Downtown Dallas, an Architect’s Inspiration, submitted by MAA, Inc.
The District at the Star, submitted by O’Brien Architects

Finalists for the Innovation Award:
Park District, submitted by Trammell Crow Company
American Airlines Skyview Office Complex, submitted by Crescent Real Estate
McKinney Avenue Residences, submitted by Studio Outside

Finalists for the Public Places Award:
Boardwalk at Granite, submitted by Omniplan
Dallas Farmers Market, submitted by GFF
Victory Park, submitted by Trademark Property Company

Finalists for The Social Impact Award (new category)
The Morris Foundation Women and Children’s Center, submitted by Bennett Benner Partners
True Worth Place, submitted by HKS Inc.
Highland Park United Methodist Church-Tolleson Family Activity Center, submitted by HH Architects

Finalists for The Next Big Idea Award:
City of Dallas SHOP Renovations, submitted by the City of Dallas Office of Economic Development
Village Hearth, submitted by Hahnfeld Hoffer Stanford
The Hive Skyport, submitted by The Beck Group
Winning entries in the Influence, Innovation, Social Impact and Public Places categories will be announced at the Impact Awards gala dinner on October 10, 2019, at The Renaissance Hotel Dallas. In one of the highlights of this annual Award Event, those attending the gala vote for the winner of The Next Big Idea award using live audience polling.

The jury was chosen from a variety of real estate disciplines and from cities throughout the US. The jury members included Sandi Silk, Senior Vice President and Development Director, Jefferson Apartment Group (Newton, MA); Klaas Reimann-Philipp, Principal, Common Works Architecture (Oklahoma City), David Dixon, Senior Principal, Stantec (Boston), and Christine Carlyle, Principal and Director of Planning, Solomon Cordwell Buenz (Chicago).

Proceeds of the Impact Awards Event support the educational programs and volunteer outreach of ULI NorthTexas including the highly-regarded Urban Plan high school classroom curriculum, the recently introduced Urban Plan for Public Officials program, and the Building Industry Leaders instructional and mentoring program created by the ULI Young Leaders and offered in cooperation with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Dallas and Fort Worth.

Sponsor tables sales for the Impact Awards are currently underway.

For information on purchasing a sponsorship for the ULI North Texas Impact Awards, contact:

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Individual tickets will go on sale in September.