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AnewAmerica Receives National Renewal Award from The Atlantic and Allstate Recognizing Local Organizations Driving Change Across the Country

March 27, 2018, 8 a.m. PT -- At the Renewal Summit in New Orleans today, AnewAmerica was honored with a national award and \$20,000 grant for its work creating solutions to pressing community challenges. AnewAmerica was one of five nonprofits to receive the third annual Renewal Awards, a project of The Atlantic and Allstate honoring groups across the country for their innovative, grassroots approach to driving change in their communities and bringing progress to the country.

AnewAmerica was chosen from a competitive pool of nearly 3,000 nominees. AnewAmerica leverages entrepreneurship training, mentoring and technical assistance to provide a means for economic stability and growth for under-served communities.

Steve Dial, CEO of AnewAmerica, said of the award "we are excited and privileged to receive the Renewal Award. We wish to thank Allstate and The Atlantic for the recognition and support. It is a humbling experience to receive this recognition of our work. In addition, we thank all of our supports, funders, volunteers, team members and friends for their support of our mission. This award is truly an honor for our organization."

This year's Renewal Award recipients—based in Austin; Hazleton, Pennsylvania; Memphis; New Orleans; and Oakland—offer vastly different services with a common underpinning: to expand the scale of opportunity for a diversifying America. Many of this year's winners are focused on building bridges to the social and economic mainstream for populations that have been excluded but are growing. Their work includes serving low-income or disadvantaged populations by offering job and entrepreneurship opportunities, mentorship, and educational resources. The winners have affected thousands of lives and serve as role models for other organizations grappling with how to drive change in communities across the country.

The honorees were selected by public vote and a judges' panel comprised of The Atlantic editors, past Renewal Award winners, and outside members.

The full list of Renewal Award winners includes:



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About the Renewal Awards The Atlantic's Renewal Awards recognize local organizations driving positive change in their communities and bringing progress to the country. Now in its 3rd year, the Awards culminate with five winners each receiving a \$20,000 grant from Allstate to further their work. Five runners up also receive a \$10,000 grant form Allstate. The Renewal Awards seek to illuminate these creative solutions: the local organizations and individuals banding together to confront the biggest challenges facing the country. Allstate is the underwriter of The Renewal Awards.

The Renewal Awards are the flagship initiative of The Renewal Project, The Atlantic and Allstate's broader partnership that spotlights innovation and celebrates change-makers in local communities. With this year's award, 16 organizations have received more than \$300,000 in grants from Allstate to further their work. To learn more about the awards, and read about past winners, please visit TheRenewalProject.com.



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About AnewAmerica

AnewAmerica Community Corporation is a 19 year old non- profit 501(c) (3) headquartered in Oakland,CA with field offices in Oakland, CA and San Jose, CA. AnewAmerica services clients in Alameda and Santa Clara Counties and the greater

Bay Area. AnewAmerica changes lives through creating economic opportunities for targeted communities. AnewAmerica leverages entrepreneurship to train and coach individuals to start their own business to support economic growth for themselves and their communities.

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