

Almost Home

BROADLAWNS MEDICAL CENTER FOUNDATION
A Beautification Project Benefiting
Broadlawns Medical Center's Mental Health Services



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Donation benefits Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute Class Project

(Des Moines, Iowa) – Davis Brown Law Firm has presented the Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute (GDMLI) Class of 2008-2009 with a \$2,500 donation for **Almost Home: A Beautification Project Benefiting Broadlawns Medical Center's Mental Health Services.**

Each year the Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute (GDMLI) asks the current Community Leadership Program class to complete a project that will make a positive impact on the metropolitan community. This year's GDMLI class, made up of 55 Greater Des Moines professionals, selected this project to demonstrate the importance of mental health awareness and the mental health services provided by Broadlawns Medical Center.

The Davis Brown Law Firm saw Almost Home as a great opportunity to support the community. Jason M. Stone, shareholder and member of the GDMLI 2008-2009 class, said, "Broadlawns provides an amazing spectrum and volume of mental health services in Iowa and does so regardless of a client's ability to pay. We're proud to support the initiative and the hard work of the 2008-2009 GDMLI class."

The **Almost Home** project will help make physical improvements to the inpatient, outpatient and courtyard areas of Broadlawns Mental Health Services and increase awareness of mental health issues. The project is set to be complete in the summer of 2009.

For more information on the project, including donation information, visit www.AlmostHomeDSM.org.

About the Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute

The Greater Des Moines Leadership Institute (GDMLI) is Central Iowa's premier leadership development organization. Through community wide education and service projects, GDMLI connects, inspires, challenges and develops community leaders to greater public awareness, commitment and involvement to improve the overall quality of life in our community. Since 1982, more than 1,500 leaders have graduated from GDMLI.

About Broadlawns Medical Center

With a history that reaches back to 1903 as a community health center, Broadlawns Medical Center first opened its doors as a hospital to the residents of Polk County on April 13, 1924. Over the years, Broadlawns has adapted to the changing demands of public health care, yet remained true to its mission of offering quality health services to all Polk County residents and training tomorrow's health care professionals.

Broadlawns Medical Center Mental Health Services provided more than 38,000 outpatient visits last fiscal year as well as more than 7,000 inpatient days in acute psychiatric care. Approximately, 50% of those patients have no health insurance coverage. Less than 12% have commercial insurance. The rest receive Medicaid, Medicare or other governmental assistance.

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