



# Public Health Association of British Columbia

2009 Award Winners

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## **Award of Merit**

### **Stephen Andrew**

Stephen is a respected television and print journalist. During the past three years he has thoughtfully and consistently covered issues relating to vulnerable populations. Stephen provided comprehensive coverage of Portland Oregon's successful response to homelessness and drug addiction and framed it in such a way that it provided useful lessons for communities on Vancouver Island. In an age of superficial news, Stephen is a role model for the media in covering healthy communities and compassionate solutions.

## **Sharon Martin Community Development Award**

### **Rose Soneff**

Rose is a leader who has demonstrated an exceptional commitment to community development throughout her career. Most recently, Rose has implemented a comprehensive, provincial community capacity building strategy as part of the BC Healthy Living Alliance efforts to create environments that support healthy living. She has lead regional and provincial community development initiatives aimed at improving population health. She has taught and inspired others in her community development philosophy that is built on inclusiveness, integrity and sustainability.

## **President's Award**

### **Nancy Hall**

Nancy is a recognized leader in public health in BC and Canada. She has brought to bear her knowledge, understanding and passion for health promotion to research, practice and educational settings. She has been a passionate and outspoken advocate for people who experience barriers to achieving health. She has devoted her career to reducing health inequities and is especially noted for her work as BC's Provincial Mental Health Advocate. She has developed guidelines for BC healthy community initiatives, established health promotion programs in health authorities and taught health promotion skills to health care workers, managers and community members. She has devoted countless volunteer hours to the Public Health Association of BC to support the education of the public health workforce.