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Award: HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

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Deirdre Glenn has spent the majority of her career helping others. Returning to Newburgh after her professional obligations led her to Pittsburgh, New York City and Dublin, her abiding commitment to her community has improved the lives of countless individuals and has made the greater Newburgh area a better place to live.

Ms. Glenn spent nine years as the Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity of Greater Newburgh. During her tenure, Habitat for Humanity increased capacity from two houses built per year to approximately nine. In total, the organization has completed 36 homes since its inception. Under her direction, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Newburgh became the second most active affiliate throughout the Hudson Valley and a leader in New York State. Ms. Glenn was also instrumental in the development of a ReStore, a business enterprise in the recycling of building materials to provide program income.

A selfless volunteer, Ms. Glenn is very active in the community. She currently serves as Warden at St. George's Episcopal Church and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Newburgh Chamber Music, Newburgh Preservation Association, and the City of Newburgh Planning Board.

Always one to keep moving forward and think of new ways to help, Ms. Glenn is currently developing a new not-for-profit organization, Newburgh Armory Unity Center, Inc., to assist the City of Newburgh in running the Newburgh Armory. This new organization will coordinate groups and events that utilize the Armory throughout the year and make it a key part of the redevelopment of the City.

For all she has done for others, Deirdre Glenn is an inspiration to us all.