



Rochester Police Foundation Citizens of the Year Award to Susan and Bill Morehouse

On behalf of the Police Foundation and the Rochester Police Department, I am honored to be presenting an award to two pillars of the Rochester Community.

The husband and wife team of Dr. William Morehouse and Susan Morehouse have been residents of the 19th Ward for nearly forty-three years.

Bill has been a family physician for the past forty years, and is the founder of "His Branches" health services. "His Branches" is a faith based primary care center, which specializes in treating the underserved and marginalized members of this community.

Bill retired back in June, delivering the last of his thousands of babies that would become future citizens of the City of Rochester.

Although Bill has retired, the practices he established at 340 Arnett Boulevard; and the corner of Bay and Goodman will continue to flourish in the caring hands of Dr. Matthew Mack and Jan Thirlby.

Bill's partner in this endeavor, his loving wife Susan, is also not without accomplishments in the field of community service.

Susan's involvement in the production of the videos, "The Front Row" and "Creating Hope" brought together a coalition that included area Churches, the Rochester Police Department, The Rochester City School District, Pathways to Peace, Camp Good Days, The University of Rochester, and Rochester Community TV.

Directed by Joshua Bloodworth and Rick Osbourne, and funded in part by a generous donation from the Rochester Police Foundation, these videos have been valuable training tools for police agencies across the country that have struggled with the issue of gang violence.

In addition to being used by law enforcement, these videos have been viewed at the White House, and in cities across the globe due to The United Nations' interest in the subject matter.

As you can see, the shared vision held by Bill and Susan is centered on caring and protecting children. They have helped to shape city neighborhoods where children can feel safe, take pride in where they live, and be known and loved by their neighbors. All important factors in ensuring that the youth in our community have a chance to succeed.

It is my profound honor to present the Rochester Police Foundation Citizens of the Year Award to Susan and Bill Morehouse.

