

# ***Ohio Housing Authority Lauded***

- **Rebuild America Award for Energy Excellence in Public and Affordable Housing – Stark Metropolitan Housing Authority (OH), a Rebuild Ohio partner**

Rebuild America is recognizing the Stark Metropolitan Housing Authority for:

- **Bringing community and quality of life improvements to public housing residents through energy efficiency**
- **Helping to create more affordable and**

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*Michael Williams, right, director of maintenance and development for SMHA, accepts the 1999 Rebuild America Award for Energy Excellence in Public and Affordable Housing, from DOE's Mark Ginsberg.*

comfortable environments for public housing residents

- Developing partnerships with federal, state and local governments, nonprofit agencies and businesses to improve public housing and community services
- Stimulating economic development and job creation in the energy-efficiency sector
- Building a coalition of Ohio housing authorities to explore energy issues and solutions

SMHA is part of Rebuild Ohio, a state-wide Rebuild America partnership operated by the Ohio Department of Development's Office of Energy Efficiency.

SMHA is collaborating with government agencies and local community groups to undertake a major renovation of one of its Canton senior apartment buildings, Metropolitan Arms, and improve the overall area by creating a community campus environment with services for residents.