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Press Release

FullCircle26, Inc. recognizes the Dominican Center and Sister Patricia Rogers, OP with the first 3D Model of Sustainability™ Award

Fox Lake, IL FullCircle26, Inc. today awarded the Dominican Center and Sister Patricia Rogers, OP (and team) as our first ever recipient of the **2021 3D Model of Sustainability™ Award**. FullCircle26, Inc CEO and Founder, Shelley Mathews created the 3D Model of Sustainability™ programs for STEM Education, Food Sustainability and Jobs/Enterprise. These programs are essential to gain control of food supply in the best manner that suits you, your family and community needs. As a soil-based and hydroponic farmer, her mission is to help the underserved and those most in need through growing plants. She and her team of experts provide growing solutions based on the needs of her clients that can be done easily and provide a sustainable model for decades and family generations.

In 2018, FullCircle26, Inc supplied and donated OPCOM Farm® Hydroponic Systems to the Dominican Center and Amani United creating a full Hydroponics Lab. The Dominican Center's Hydro Lab became the foundation for the 3D Model of Sustainability ™ continued to thrive and sustain up until their closure due to COVID-19. We anticipate reopening in the fall of 2021.

The Dominican Center was chosen for this award for their dedication to mastering the 3 keystones of our 3D Model of Sustainability- Education, Food Sustainability and Enterprise. For Education, they have grown and maintained the initial program from 2018 by expanding to 5 of their local schools and a daycare center to teach the children about Hydroponics and how to grow their own food. For Food Sustainability, they have continued to grow lettuce and other vegetables to share with the residents and staff of the Dominican Center, teaching that it is possible to be self-sustainable. For Enterprise, they have made connections with a local chef and have been growing 10lbs of Bok Choy per week and a specialty Italian basil grown to order as needed by the Chef. Raising funds that are given back to help support the center, which shows that growing is an acceptable option for income.

Sister Patricia Rogers, OP and the preliminary team (Brother Rice Bey, Wesley Landry, Orean Harper, and Octavia Maria Parker), who all collaborated to create and maintain the Hydro Lab, are very deserving of this first ever 3D Model of Sustainability ™ Award with our thanks and gratitude for all that they do!

About the Dominican Center

The Dominican Center in the Amani neighborhood works with Amani residents and partners to build a better future. Founded in 1995, the Dominican Center began as an urban ministry program to learn more about the women in the neighborhood and has since evolved to serve all Amani residents and respond to the changing needs of the community. Today, DC serves as the community anchor for the White House Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative, Building Neighborhood Capacity Program and is the lead community partner for the US Department of Justice's Innovations of Community Based Crime Reduction grant for Amani. Please contact Christina Chronister at the Dominican Center for additional information at (414) 444-9930 or by email at christina@dominican-center.org

About Shelley Mathews

Lifetime Entrepreneur, New CEO, Sales Profit Maverick and Future Thinker, Shelley Mathews has used the skills and knowledge of professional sales, marketing, and business creation to offer access of education, food and jobs through growing plants hydroponically ("in water").

About FullCircle26, Inc

FullCircle26 Inc. has placement of OPCOM Hydroponic systems in over 1,500 schools nationwide, hundreds of consumers, international distributors, and Canadian clients. FullCircle26, Inc provides access to plant growing and farm technology of the future.

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