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SISTER MARY SCULLION, 2003 USA

Executive Director, Project H.O.M.E.

Sister Mary Scullion is the internationally recognized founder of Women of Hope, which provides permanent residences and support services for homeless mentally ill women, and Project H.O.M.E., an organization that provides integrated services to the homeless. As a result of her work, Mary was named by *Time Magazine* as one of the World's 100 Most Influential People, and her model has been replicated in cities throughout the United States.

Her fellowship goal was to find ways to help the homeless breach the digital divide. She visited successful technology-based learning centers in Hungary and Italy to identify the best practices. Upon her return to Philadelphia, she used what she had seen on fellowship to create the Honickman Learning Center and Comcast Technology Labs in 2004. The center is a three-story mega-center loaded with state-of-the-art hardware and software education systems for Project H.O.M.E. clientele, and is the centerpiece of their revitalization strategy for North Central Philadelphia.



The Honickman Learning Center and Comcast Technology Labs run programs which focus on the integration of technology with art, education and enterprise. Programs are tailored to help the residents of the community – both children and adults – move toward greater prosperity by increasing their educational and employment opportunities through comprehensive technology and literacy instruction. Each year, the center serves over 1,200 children, teens and adults. The center provides after-school programs for students in grades K-8 and 9-12 that focus on improving math, reading and writing skills, adult programs that focus on technology skills and workforce development, and houses a community partnership school.

Sister Mary says that “The Eisenhower Fellowship network has opened my mind, heart and eyes to see beyond borders, cultures and nationalities. The network has empowered me to strive to be a world citizen.” Her advice to Eisenhower Fellows is to “use the network as much as you can and contribute to it. It will deepen and stretch you in the most amazing ways and in ways you never imagined.” In 2010, Sister Mary was awarded the Eisenhower Fellowships’ Distinguished Alumnus Award for tireless and vocal advocacy for the homeless in Philadelphia and across the nation.

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