

## Humanitarian Service and Lifetime Achievement Award

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Helen Almanzor is the recipient of the FAACNJ Humanitarian Service and Lifetime Achievement Award of 2017.

Helen Almanzor, my loving wife has a irresistible personality that attract everyone to be close and friendly with her.

Behind that personality, she always believes that if you go and beyond in whatever you do, will go a long way.

She worked her way up on her job with the Federal Government from Clerk-Typist to Chief Program Operations Branch with the Dept. of Housing & Urban Development (DHUD), Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity Division.





In her own quiet way, she received various certificates of her accomplishments:

- Certificate of Honor County of Mercer NJ Board of Freeholders Community Leader/Volunteer.
- Certificate of Appreciation Princeton Country Club.
- Joint Legislative Commendation in Recognition of an Exemplary History of Service within the community – at large throughout many years.
- Letters of Appreciations from Dept. of HUD Regional Director & Secretary Andrew Como.
- Federal Women Coordinator Equal rights to women.
- Panelist On the HUD Women's History Month Event – How you advanced through your career path. Staff that would like to follow your foot steps.

Helen serves as Vice-President and actively involve with the FAACNJ organization since inception. She knows that the FAACNJ mission effectively help people in need.

While on vacation in the Philippines, she experience that sharing with others makes a big difference. My sister-in-law, Connie and her children have been feeding the street children every Christmas holidays. It started with a few and multiplied every year.

Helen, commented that just for one day, you can see on the eyes of these children the joy and happiness you have given them.

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She was so touch by this experience that her outlook in life have changed. Since then, she finds time and energy to be involve on various charitable organizations.

If you are busy with your family and working so many hours, it is almost incomprehensible, how she can balance her time. When it comes to assisting and socializing with others, she can find time. Most of the time, she is always in the background, but, when its "dance time" she is up front. Now, she is mostly involve with Senior Citizens groups. From bowling, dancing in Senior Centers, singing with the church choir and joining the Santacruzan

She believes that now is the time to share and help others that need most.

In her own quiet way, she have given her time and effort to make FAACNJ continue its mission and keep our community closer for we will eventually need each others support.