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Report to the Board of Directors of the Society for the Study of Social Problems 2018

Since 1991 the SSSP has given an award to an organization in the city hosting the annual meeting for its social justice work. In 2009, the award was named in honor of Thomas C. Hood, who retired as Executive Officer in 2009 after serving the Society in that capacity for 19 years. Past winners have included Atlanta's Youth Speak Truth and the Coalition for Human Immigration Rights of Los Angeles.

This Committee made up of seven members Committee chose the Mural Arts Program for the 2018 Award. This was not an easy task with 15 organizations to choose from this year. The committee went right to work. We used a rubric it was the ticket to our success, as well as, the special bond that was created amongst members.

As Chair, I want to thank the other members of Committee: Johanna Foster, (Chair-Elect); William Cabin, Kamini Maraj Grahame, Sebastián G. Guzmán, Johanna S. Quinn, and Cameron T. Whitley. Michele Koontz provided support throughout the challenge of picking an organization from so many wonderful organizations. See you at the meeting.

It was a privilege to serve.

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