



Stockton Provost Dr. David Carr Wins Prestigious William M. Plater Award for Leadership in Civic Engagement

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Galloway Township, NJ- Stockton Provost and Executive Vice President Dr. David Carr won national recognition this year for The William M. Plater Award for Leadership in Civic Engagement, which recognizes exceptional chief academic officers in higher education.

According to Stockton President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr., “Dr. Carr’s leadership, planning and evaluative skills have been of paramount importance to Stockton College. It was a pleasure to learn that he won this well-deserved honor.”

Dr. Carr is a successful and key advocate for The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey and its role in supporting New Jersey’s surrounding communities. His dedication and commitment has spearheaded a number of vital initiatives including:

- The Political Engagement Project, a program that addresses the serious problem of political disengagement in young people through a non-partisan approach that increases college efforts to strengthen student interests in politics
- Collaboration with key individuals to establish the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy, which works to uphold and instill in our citizenry the ethical standards of bipartisan collaboration and catalyzes research, analysis and innovative policy solutions to the economic, social and cultural issues facing southern New Jersey
- Establishment and support for activities promoting economic development, including the Small Business Development Center for Atlantic, Cape May and Cumberland counties; The Stockton Center for Hospitality and Tourism research; The South Jersey Economic Review; and several community focused centers such as the Coastal Research Center and the Stockton Center on Successful Aging

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- Establishment of a vibrant program of service learning that engages students and faculty with the community
- Developing plans for the Small Business Development Center and the Southern Regional Institute, resources that provide professional development to the K-12 community, local government, and other agencies. (Housed in the historic Carnegie Library building in Atlantic City, these programs were funded largely by the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority).

"I was honored to receive this national award that recognizes that civic engagement is a powerful learning tool," Dr. Carr said. "The skills of effective citizenship are also the skills that