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***THE FRESH AIR FUND AWARDS ALBANIAN COMMUNITY AGENCY FOR OUTSTANDING  
ACHIEVEMENT***

At this year's Community Outreach Conference, The Fresh Air Fund continued its tradition of presenting one **Outstanding Outreach Partner of the Year** award to the individual who has gone above and beyond the call of duty to support free summer programs for NYC youngsters. Our outreach partners recruit, register and prepare Fresh Air children and their families for visits with volunteer hosts or at sleep-away camp. This year, The Fresh Air Fund awarded Elmira Muja, Media Coordinator of the Albanian American Women's Organization, with the Outstanding Outreach Partner of the Year award. This small yet powerful organization touches the lives of many Albanian immigrants throughout Queens and the Bronx. Ms. Muja's tireless efforts introduced Fresh Air summer opportunities to youngsters who really enjoyed some *fresh air*. The Fresh Air Fund salutes Ms. Muja's commitment and dedication to some of NYC's neediest children.

Since 1877, The Fresh Air Fund, an independent, not-for-profit agency, has provided free summer vacations to more than 1.7 million New York City children from low-income communities. For a referral to a participating agency or for more information about Fresh Air programs, call The Fresh Air Fund at (212) 897-8900 or (800) 367-0003. Please visit our Web site at [www.freshair.org](http://www.freshair.org).

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