

Well Connected Wins Bronze for McKnight's Innovator of the Year Award

GLENDALE, Calif. - October 20, 2021 - Today, at its Excellence in Technology Awards + Summit, McKnights Senior Living announced that Well Connected, a Front Porch Community Services program, received the bronze for its Innovator of the Year Award.



Well Connected, a program designed to reduce social isolation and increase social connection, received this honor in recognition of its Agora platform. Developed for Well Connected participants, Agora overcomes accessibility challenges, making it easy for thousands of English and Spanish-speaking participants to access games, support groups, book clubs, art classes, and a range of other groups by phone or online.

Responding to the honor, Amber Carroll, senior director of connection programs, said, "For Well Connected and Well Connected Español, this recognition validates and reinforces our commitment to alleviating loneliness and social isolation through accessible and meaningful virtual connection."

The Agora app connects participants with activities, providing easy access by calling participants directly, and facilitates over 2,500 participation hours each month. In 2020, Agora won the LeadingAge California Innovation Showcase People's Choice Award.

To learn more about Well Connected, visit <https://covia.org/programs/well-connected/>.

About Front Porch

Front Porch is a not-for-profit system that supports 53 communities, 7,500 residents, and more than 6,000 participants in programs and services nationwide. Our mission is to inspire and build community, cultivating meaningful relationships and experiences that respond creatively to changing needs. Learn more at frontporch.net.