

On March 1, GTH-Gov Vice President Cindy Zehnder, pictured above with Gov. Chris Gregoire, received the 2010 TVW Founders Award. Zehnder, who served as TVW President and CEO from 2003 to 2007, was presented the award by the Governor at TVW's Annual Gala. Zehnder served as the Governor's chief of staff from 2007 to 2009. Below is an excerpt from the TVW press release that announced the award:

During Zehnder's tenure as President, TVW completed a successful \$6.5 million capital campaign to finance and construct the Jeannette C. Hayner media center. The campaign also financed TVW's transition to digital production and broadcasting, greatly enhancing video resources available to citizens on TVW's web site.

"TVW's Founders Award recognizes those who display visionary leadership in providing greater access to government for Washington citizens," said current TVW President Greg Lane. "Not only was Cindy the driving force behind the fundraising effort and the construction of the new facility, but she also led TVW to become the preeminent state public affairs network in the country.

"The members of our board of directors are delighted to show their appreciation for all of Cindy's contributions to TVW and her tireless commitment to open government."