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<b>BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:</b>	UMOJA is a non-profit organization started in 1981 by Keith Hawkins, Seborne Harris, and Terry Minggia. The purpose of UMOJA was to be part of a movement that was first initiated by singer and songwriter Stevie Wonder's push to make Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday a national holiday. They organized and led Denver's first march on January 15, 1981.

Brother Jeff's Cultural Center opened in 1994. The center has offered poetry readings, and mentoring for young people, and touted literacy and education through cultural arts to give individuals in the community opportunities for higher education. Its current primary focus is on HIV/AIDS education and awareness.

- SCOPE AND CONTENT:** The award is the UMOJA's 2016 Community Service Award
- SERIES DESCRIPTION:** The box contains a smoked glass award that reads: 2016 Community Service Award, UMOJA, Brother Jeff's Cultural Center.
- CONTAINER LISTING:** 1 round smoked glass etched award. A brief history of the UMOJA organization is also included in the box.