



VCIC TO PRESENT HUMANITARIAN AWARDS TO SIX
AT 48TH ANNUAL DINNER

Richmond VA, 15 October 2010 - The Richmond Chapter of the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities will recognize six deserving humanitarians at the 48th Annual Humanitarian Awards Dinner on Monday, November 1, 2010, at the Richmond Marriott downtown.

Individual recipients of the prestigious Humanitarian Award for 2010 are: **Tommy P. Baer**, attorney, and former Board Chair for First Freedom Center; **Maureen Denlea Massey**, community volunteer and non-profit consultant; **Ranjit K. Sen**, Chairman and CEO of CXI, Inc.; and **LaVerne B. Spurlock**, retired educator and founding member of Virginia Heroes Incorporated. In addition, **John W. Kinney**, Dean of the School of Theology at Virginia Union University, will accept the Jeffrey B. Spence Award for Interfaith Understanding, and **Elk Hill**, an educational facility in Goochland, will receive the Distinguished Merit Citation.

Charlie Colpo, Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer of Owens & Minor, Inc., is serving as the dinner chair, assuming the leadership role to honor those who have made significant humanitarian contributions to the greater Richmond community. In addition to lead sponsor Owens & Minor, benefactor sponsors of the event include Bon Secours Richmond Health System, CXI, M. H. West & Co., Inc., and NewMarket Corporation.

The Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities conducts programs that promote understanding and respect on ALL issues of diversity, for ALL age groups, ALL across Virginia. Each year, Inclusive Communities leads educational programs, conferences, retreats, and workshops for thousands of youth, educators, community members, non-profit organizations, and corporate and business leaders. The 75-year-old organization delivers programs to educators and students in Chesterfield County, Hanover County, Henrico County, Powhatan County, and Richmond City Public Schools. Additionally, programs are offered to Leadership Metro Richmond, Partnership for the Future, the University of Richmond, and many other local institutions and organizations.

For more information about the organization or the event, www.inclusiveva.org or contact Jonathan Zur, CEO, or the staff at 804-515-7950.

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