



The Community Foundation's AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Honoring Richard A. Henson

In 1989 the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore established the Award of Excellence honoring Richard A. Henson in recognition of his deep involvement with, and commitment to, community needs, and his contributions to our community.

The Award of Excellence may be presented annually to a nonprofit organization, within the tri-county region, which has implemented a program or project that has made an outstanding contribution to the well-being of residents of the Lower Eastern Shore. Nominees for the Award of Excellence should, notably, through their actions, exemplify the spirit of excellence which filled the life of Richard A. Henson.

The criteria for the Award correspond closely to Richard A. Henson's philosophy that achievements in the nonprofit sector should demonstrate an entrepreneurial spirit, and that resources should be creatively marshalled to provide effective and timely responses to critical or emerging community needs. The Award of Excellence Selection Committee will determine the selection of the nonprofit organization to be honored. The Selection Committee looks for nonprofits that have demonstrated board leadership and responsibility within the organization to carry forth their mission and to cultivate financial support in the community.

Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore Award of Excellence Nomination Form

Name of Nominee _____
Address _____
Telephone _____
Name and Title of Person in Charge _____
Name of Person Making Nomination _____
Address _____
Telephone _____
Relationship (if any) to Organization Nominated _____
Signature _____ Date _____

Please complete and return this nomination form. The questions below must be typed on a separate sheet of paper with the answer directly below each question. Required Attachments: (1) three letters of support (2) a list of the Board of Directors (3) a copy of the 501(c)(3) IRS letter of the agency being nominated (4) copy of most recent audit or financial statement

- 1 - When was the organization founded, whom does it serve, number of people served and the geographic area served?
- 2 - What service(s) does the organization provide?
- 3 - In what ways has the organization responded effectively to a significant community problem?
- 4 - How has the organization taken a leadership role in working with others?
- 5 - What impact has the organization's work had on the community? Please be specific.
- 6 - How has the organization demonstrated ingenuity, flexibility, innovation and leveraging of available resources in responding to new and changing community needs?
- 7 - How has the organization demonstrated excellence in the community?
- 8 - Other comments.

**INCOMPLETE NOMINATIONS OR NOMINATIONS RECEIVED LATER
THAN SEPTEMBER 29, 2008 WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. PLEASE SUBMIT TO:**

**Community Foundation the Eastern Shore
1324 Belmont Ave., Suite 401
Salisbury, MD 21804**

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Selection Committee

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Past Recipients

1989 - American Red Cross
1990 - Wicomico Teen-Adult Center (Dove Pointe, Inc.)
1991 - Coastal Hospice
1992 - Joseph House Village
1993 - Christian Shelter, Inc.
1994 - Big Brothers/Big Sisters of the Lower Eastern Shore
1995 - Life Crisis Center, Inc.
1996 - Habitat on Maryland's Lower Shore
1997 - Salisbury Neighborhood Housing Service, Inc.
1998 - Maple Shade Youth and Family Services, Inc.
1999 - Fruitland Community Center
2000 - Diakonia, Inc.
2001 - Salisbury Urban Ministries
2002 - Seton Center
2003 - United Way of the Lower Eastern Shore
2004 - MAC, Inc.
2005 - Worcester County G.O.L.D.
2006 - Easter Seals
2007 - Lower Shore Enterprises

