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**Volunteers of America Chesapeake Names 2011 Board of Directors**

*Human Services Organization Brings Together 15 Community Leaders to Help Guide Growth of  
Wide-Reaching Non-Profit*

**Lanham, MD** – (July 8, 2011) – Volunteers of America Chesapeake is pleased to announce the formation of its 2011 Board of Directors, which represents a diverse cross-section of community leaders from throughout the entire Mid-Atlantic Region. The individuals making up Volunteers of America Chesapeake's Board of Directors began serving their terms July 1, 2011, and will help carry out Volunteers of America Chesapeake's mission of inspiring self-reliance, dignity and hope through health and human services.

The individuals making up Volunteers of America Chesapeake's 2011 Board of Directors include:

- Karen M. Dale, Executive Vice President, D.C. Healthcare Systems, Inc.,
- Carlos Duran, President, Men of their Word and Chapter Director, National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference
- D. Dusky Holman, Partner, Smith, Gildea & Schmidt, LLC
- Donald R. Kann, Principal in Charge, Kann Partners
- Rev. Kathleen Kline Chesson, Senior Pastor, First Christian Church of Falls Church, Virginia
- Brock Landry, Partner, Venable, LLC
- Kyle Lorton, Sales Director, W.R. Grace
- Vernand Morency, Chairman and CEO, Morency Enterprises of D.C.
- Rajani Nelamangala, Vice President, Planning and Technology, URAC
- Alvin Nichols, Principal, NICHOLS Creative Development
- M. Craig Pascal, Senior Vice President, Community Development Specialist, BB&T
- Russell K. Snyder, President and CEO, Volunteers of America Chesapeake
- Teresa Stanley, South Hampton Roads Organizer, Virginia Organizing
- Tom Turnbull, Chief Operating Officer, Healthcare and Housing, Volunteers of America
- Greg Tutino, Managing Director, Ronald Blue and Company

Turnbull will serve as the chair of the Board of Directors for a two-year term. Other officers are as follows: Nichols as vice chair; Dale as treasurer; Holman as secretary; and Snyder as president.

“The 15 individuals making up Volunteers of America Chesapeake's Board of Directors are some of the most influential, intelligent, philanthropic and creative minds in our region,” said **Russell K. Snyder**, president and CEO of Volunteers of America Chesapeake. “It will be an honor to serve among this diverse group of decision makers to direct the vision of Volunteers of America Chesapeake and continue to provide essential health and human services to those in need in our community.”

The newly established Board of Directors represents the continued growth of the local affiliate of one of the nation's largest and most comprehensive human services organizations. Volunteers of America Chesapeake serves more than 9,000 individuals through 26 programs spread from Baltimore, Maryland to Virginia Beach, Virginia. Volunteers of America Chesapeake has a professional staff of more than 650 employees that partner with more than 2,200 dedicated volunteers, local government officials, businesses, civic organizations and the faith community to provide high quality human services for the homeless; individuals with mental illness; individuals with intellectual disabilities; those in need of affordable housing; those in need of supportive services; the aging; those recovering from substance abuse addictions and those involved in community corrections.

## **VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA CHESAPEAKE**

*Volunteers of America Chesapeake, Inc. is a faith-based, non-profit organization whose mission is to inspire self-reliance, dignity and hope through health and human services in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia. Founded in 1896 in Baltimore, MD, Volunteers of America Chesapeake is one of the first branches of Volunteers of America - one of the nation's largest and most comprehensive human services organizations. Through a dedicated and committed team of management, staff and volunteers and guided by our Core Values: Caring, Respect, Faith, Quality and Trust Volunteers of America Chesapeake helps more than 9,000 people each year at our 26 programs serving: the homeless, mentally ill, individuals with intellectual disabilities, the aging, those in need of affordable housing, those recovering from substance abuse and community corrections. For more information about Volunteers of America Chesapeake, visit: <http://www.VOAchesapeake.org>*

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