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Volunteers of America Chesapeake President and CEO Russell K. Snyder Named to Leadership Greater Washington's Class of 2012

Lanham, MD - (June 13, 2011) - Volunteers of America Chesapeake, the local affiliate of one of the nation's largest and most comprehensive human services organizations, announced today that President and CEO Russell K. Snyder was selected as a member of the prestigious Leadership Greater Washington Class of 2012.

Upon completion of the program, Snyder will join an elite group of top regional leaders in Washington, D.C., to identify challenges and opportunities in the region, drive dialogue, and create connections to facilitate solutions.

Snyder oversees all of Volunteers of America Chesapeake's 26 human services programs throughout the Mid-Atlantic serving: the homeless, mentally ill, people with intellectual disabilities, ex-offenders, people with substance abuse issues, those in need of affordable housing, the elderly, and children. The organization accomplishes its mission to inspire self-reliance, dignity and hope through health and human services by serving more than 9,000 people annually through programs spread geographically from Baltimore to Virginia Beach.

Snyder joined Volunteers of America Chesapeake in 2009 as President and CEO. With more than 20 years of executive management experience, Snyder took over leadership at a time of financial uncertainty and has managed to turn the organization around and help it thrive – serving 1,000 more people this year than in 2010 and actively starting new programs and partnerships to help those in need. In his two years at the helm, Snyder has added new human services facilities throughout the region to help more individuals and families in need, improved existing programs, and built an expert staff and executive board to guide his mission for the non-profit.

“It is a great honor to be selected alongside my peers to be part of a leadership organization that continues to make such an impact on the Washington, D.C., business community,” said Snyder. “I look forward to spreading the mission of Volunteers of America Chesapeake through my work with Leadership Greater Washington and learning from the elite company I am so blessed to join.”

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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. 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 health and 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 addictions and community corrections. For more information about Volunteers of America Chesapeake, visit: www.VOAchesapeake.org

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