



## **FOUNDATION BEGINS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

*Gifts raised will fund Nonprofit Support Center*

(January 9, 2007) – The Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore (CFES) has announced a capital campaign that will enable the charity to fund the Eastern Shore Nonprofit Support Center at the East Park Professional Center in Salisbury.

The co-chairs of the Community Foundation’s capital campaign are current board member Raymond M. Thompson, of Berlin; and former board member Susanne Morris, of Salisbury. Other campaign committee members include: Art Cooley, CFES board chair; and Foundation board members: Terry Blades; Annemarie Dickerson; Melody Nelson, Gregory Stein Pam Stansell; and former board member Ray Shockley.

The Community Foundation moved into the Nonprofit Support Center in October 2006. The new facility enables the Foundation to better serve donors, local nonprofit organizations and the citizens of Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester Counties. The new location also has allowed the Foundation to expand services to area charities through the services of an on-site Nonprofit Resource Center and also offer use of conference and meeting facilities to local nonprofits.

The Nonprofit Resource Center is a cooperative effort of the Foundation Center, based in New York City. It will provide a valuable research resource for nonprofit organizations including free access to an online database to find grants and other information on over 84,000 grant makers across the country.

Individuals and businesses that financially support the Foundation’s Capital Campaign may be recognized through several naming opportunities that are available at the site. All named donors, memorial gifts and other contributions of \$1,000 and more to the campaign, will also be recognized in a “Wall of Honor” to be permanently displayed in the lobby of the new facility.

The capital campaign will be conducted over the next eight months and conclude on August 31st. Anyone wishing to make a gift to the Capital Campaign should contact Spicer Bell, Community

Foundation President, or Gee Williams, Development Director, at 410-742-9911.

The purpose of The Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore is to empower donors to make a profound difference in the quality of human and community life in Maryland's Lower Eastern Shore, today and tomorrow.



**Susanne Morris**  
Co-Chair



**Ray Thompson**  
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