

EIGHT COMMUNITY LEADERS ELECTED TO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOARD



(December 19, 2005) – Eight community leaders from Wicomico and Worcester County have been elected to three-year terms to the Board of Directors of the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore.

The new board members from Wicomico County are: Jacqueline R. Cassidy, a civic leader; Charles G. Goslee, a retired Wicomico public schools administrator; Shirley Hymon-Parker, a department chair and professor at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore; James F. Morris, President of Shore Distributors, Inc., and Susan K. Purnell, owner of Kuhn's Jewelers. New board members from Worcester are: Raymond M. Thompson, President of the Calvin B. Taylor Banking Company, Pamela D. Stansell, Co-owner and Manager of Macky's Bayside Bar & Grill; and Terrence F. Blades, President/CEO of Melvin L. Blades & Sons General Contractor in Pocomoke City. (They are not shown in order in the photograph above.)

A total of 24 regional community leaders are currently serving on the Community Foundation's board. Board members provide oversight and determine policy for the Foundation.

Individuals elected to the board are recognized for their outstanding reputations for integrity, are leaders in the community, and have demonstrated a commitment to improving the lives of the citizens of this region.

The Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore, a public charity, is a permanent source of endowment funding for charity in the region and is the largest non-governmental source of support for nonprofit and faith based community organizations in the counties of Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester. During the past year the Community Foundation distributed \$2.5 million in charitable grants to nonprofits.