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Fifth Annual Hampton Roads Housing Consortium Members' Awards Recipients Announced

Chesapeake, VA – September 20, 2011 – Four winners for the Hampton Roads Housing Consortium's Fifth Annual Members' Housing Awards were announced today by the organization's Chairman, Wendy A. Hunter. These awards recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to improving housing conditions for the region.

- **HRHC Lifetime Achievement Award**
George Birdsong
Retired Board Chairman and Director of Suffolk Redevelopment and Housing Authority
- **HRHC Housing Warrior**
Habitat for Humanity Peninsula and Greater Williamsburg
- **HRHC Housing Partner**
Housing Development Corporation of Hampton Roads
- **HRHC Across the Region Service Award**
Housing Virginia

The Awards Breakfast will be held on Thursday, October 13, 2011 from 9:00 am to 11:30 am at the Norfolk Airport Hilton Hotel to honor the winners. "The recipients of this year's awards truly exemplify the best that this region has to offer in advocating for safe and affordable housing. It is our honor to spotlight their work at the Fifth Annual Members' Awards Ceremony. The members of HRHC are phenomenal in that they provide exceptional services and resources to meet the housing needs of the residents of Hampton Roads," said Chairman Wendy Hunter. The keynote speaker of this event will be Orlando Artze, President of the [Virginia Housing Coalition](#). Currently, this event is being co-sponsored by the following organizations:

[Virginia Housing Development Authority \(VHDA\)](#)
[Tidewater Home Funding](#)
[RBC Centura](#)
[Wells Fargo](#)
[Housing Virginia](#)

About HRHC: The HRHC is a voluntary association of governmental, private, and non-profit organizations committed to improving housing opportunities for low and moderate-income households in Hampton Roads. Participants include City and County governments, Redevelopment and Housing Authorities, non-profit housing and emergency shelter providers, mortgage lenders, Realtor® and builders associations, and a variety of other groups interested in affordable housing issues. Member groups represent most of the sixteen jurisdictions within the Hampton Roads region. The HRHC is a federal 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. The Hampton Roads Housing Consortium believes that households of all income levels deserve a fair opportunity to buy or rent housing that is safe, affordable, and suitable for their needs. The HRHC also supports adequate housing for persons with special needs including the disabled and elderly. The HRHC gives these organizations and other interested groups a regional framework for information exchange, training activities, and cooperative action.

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