

Press Release

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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS announces the availability of Windward Capital Summer Scholarships

The Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands invites public and private school students who are in the 10th and 11th grades to apply for the Windward Capital 2011 Summer Enrichment Program Scholarship.

For the eighth consecutive year, the Windward Capital Fund at CFVI will provide scholarships to students seeking to attend academically rigorous summer enrichment programs at stateside institutions of higher learning. Since 2004, the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands has awarded more than \$280,000 in scholarships to high school students in the Territory. This summer scholarship program was initiated by Windward Capital LLC, a financial services firm located in the Grand Hotel on St. Thomas.

The Windward Capital Fund was established to enhance the educational experiences of children and youth in the USVI. This is one of over 90 funds that have been established through the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands to serve the children and families of the Virgin Islands.

To qualify for a Windward Capital Summer Enrichment Scholarship, a student must:

- Be a 10th or 11th grader in a public or private high school in St. Thomas, St. John or St. Croix.
- Be accepted in/or have applied to a summer enrichment program.
- Have an average cumulative GPA of at least 2.5.
- Demonstrate financial need.

Applications are available at the office of the Community Foundation of the Virgin Island in Royal Dane Mall, on the Foundation's website, www.cfvi.net or by calling 774-6031.

Priority is given to applicants who demonstrate extraordinary academic, as well as community service oriented accomplishments. Quality of the enrichment program will also be an important consideration. The Community Foundation wants to emphasize that these summer scholarships are available for a wide range of enrichment programs, including but not limited to music, the arts, entrepreneurship and community leadership.

Applications must be submitted to CFVI no later than **March 15, 2011**, but applicants are encouraged to submit their materials **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**. Applications will be considered as they are received.

For more information call the Community Foundation at 774-6031.