

Media Release

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COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS EXTENDS DEADLINE FOR THE 2007 USVI YOUTH SCHOLARS SUMMER PROGRAM

The Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands (CFVI) continues to encourage all high school students from St. Croix, St. Thomas, St. John and Water Island to apply for the 2007 USVI Youth Scholars Summer Program, announced CFVI's President, Dee Baecher-Brown. Based on community needs and response, CFVI has extended the application deadline to May 31, 2007.

Funded through an appropriation of the USVI Senate through Act 6890, **grants of up to \$5,000 each** will be awarded to students seeking to attend summer enrichment programs. This is the first year that the awards are being offered.

Qualifications: To qualify for the USVI Youth Scholars Summer Program, a student must:

- be a high school student from St. Croix, St. Thomas, St. John or Water Island;
- be accepted in / or have applied to a summer enrichment program;
- have an average cumulative GPA of at least 85;

Priority will be given to applications that demonstrate a student's accomplishments both in school and in the community. The quality of the enrichment program will also be an important consideration. Applications are due at CFVI no later than **Thursday, May 31, 2007**.

Applications are available on CFVI's website, www.cfvi.net, by calling CFVI at 774-6031, or

ST. THOMAS: CFVI Office, Royal Dane Mall, Suite 2 C, Upstairs
ST. CROIX: Lutheran Social Services, 24/27 Hospital Street, F'sted.
ST. JOHN: Connections, Cruz Bay

The Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands was established in 1990 to serve the children and families of the Virgin Islands. The Foundation has more than 80 funds created by individuals and businesses to support educational, environmental, social and cultural initiatives in the USVI.

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