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**SUSAN G. KOMEN® CENTRAL VIRGINIA AFFILIATE
AWARDS MORE THAN \$262,000 IN COMMUNITY GRANTS TO SAVE LIVES FROM
BREAST CANCER**

***Breast Cancer Organization Funds Unmet Breast Cancer Needs to Help Uninsured and
Underserved Women in Central Virginia***

RICHMOND, Va. – March 25, 2016 – Determined to save lives and end breast cancer forever, Susan G. Komen® Central Virginia has awarded **eight organizations a total of \$262,187** to provide breast cancer services to women in need in the Central Virginia area.

“To meet the needs we have discovered right here in our community, this year’s grant slate specifically addresses breast cancer education and screening services for underserved women,” said Kristin Harris, Executive Director of the Affiliate.

Komen Central Virginia is one of more than 100 Komen Affiliates worldwide – all pledging to relieve suffering from the disease and to end breast cancer forever. Through local events and activities, Komen Central Virginia mobilizes and educates thousands of community members while raising funds to support community-based breast health programs.

In order to ensure it is funding programs that address the specific unmet breast cancer needs of the community, Komen Central Virginia works with local health care professionals and community leaders to conduct a comprehensive community needs assessment. This [community profile](#), a standard practice of all Komen Affiliates, is then used to establish a local grant application and review process consistent with the organization’s standards and mission.

For more information on the specific grants awarded, visit www.komencentralva.org/grants/current-grant-recipients/.

About Susan G. Komen® and the Central Virginia Affiliate

The Central Virginia Affiliate is part of the only breast cancer organization in the world attacking the disease on all fronts: in research, community outreach, education, advocacy and global work. Through events like the Komen Central Virginia Race for the Cure®, the Central Virginia Affiliate has raised over \$7.8 million to fund both local breast cancer programs and national research. Up to 75 percent of the net proceeds generated by the Affiliate stays in Central Virginia. The remaining 25 percent funds national breast cancer research. For more information, call (804) 320-1772 or visit www.KomenCentralVA.org.

Komen Central Virginia Grant Awards

March 2016

Grantee Organization	Project Title	Location in Virginia	Grant Award
Augusta Regional Free Clinic	Continuation of RACE for Breast Health	Fishersville	\$39,621
Bon Secours Richmond Health Care Foundation	Breast Screenings for Uninsured/Underinsured, Low Income Women	Richmond	\$40,000
Chickahominy Health District	Every Woman's Life Program Expansion	Ashland	\$17,711
CrossOver Healthcare Ministry	Access to Breast Health Education and Screenings for Low-income, Uninsured Minority Women	Richmond	\$39,998
Fan Free Clinic	Patient-Centered Medical Home: Breast Health Services Program	Richmond	\$40,000
Heart of Virginia Free Clinic	Breast Health Program	Farmville	\$33,743
Riverside Health System	Medically Underserved Breast Cancer Screening and Education Program	Newport News	\$11,588
VCU Community Memorial Hospital	Pink Power Program	South Hill	\$39,526

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