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**VHDA's Marketing Department Recognized by IABC**  
*VHDA Wins Seven Communication Awards at IABC's Best In Virginia Competition*

Richmond, Va. – The Virginia Housing Development Authority received seven awards during the recent 2007 *Best in Virginia* Communication Awards dinner hosted by the Richmond Chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators.

The *Best in Virginia* awards honor the best communication projects produced in Virginia during the past year. VHDA won six awards in five of the 14 different categories, accumulating the most points to win IABC's Award of Distinction.

VHDA's 2007 Best in Virginia awards include:

- **AWARD OF DISTINCTION**
  - 2007 Best In Virginia
  
- **AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**
  - Special Project Design Category  
*Exhibit System*
  
- **AWARDS OF MERIT**
  - Audiovisual Category  
*Granting Freedom – TV Public Service Announcement*
  - Audiovisual Category  
*Granting Freedom – Testimonial Video*
  - Publication Design: Special Publications Category  
*VHDA Homebuyer Book*
  - Writing: Features & Editorials Category  
*Virginia Town & City Feature*
  
- **HONORABLE MENTION**
  - Marketing Communication Category  
*VHDA's Affordable Housing Fair*

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The *Best in Virginia* awards are open to both members and non-members of IABC.

**About VHDA**

VHDA was created by the General Assembly to help make housing more affordable for Virginians. In addition to providing loans to developers for the creation, rehabilitation and renovation of affordable rental units, VHDA provides loans to consumers to purchase and/or renovate homes. VHDA raises money by selling bonds to private investors; the authority does not receive federal or state funds to finance any of its lending programs.

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