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Name _____

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CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Youth Café

☆ NOTE: Youth Café activities run parallel to workshop sessions ☆
☐ Under 18 years old   ☐ Youth Chaperone

Workshop Session I - Thursday PM - (1:45 pm – 3:15 pm)
1st Choice _____
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Workshop Session II - Thursday PM - (3:30 pm—5:00 pm)
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Workshop Session III - Friday AM - (9:45 am – 12:00 pm)
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2nd Choice _____

Workshop Session IV - Friday PM - (2:45 pm – 4:15 pm)
1st Choice _____
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I will be attending the following:

☐ **Welcome Lunch . . . .** (Thursday, September 19th)
☐ **Dinner . . . .** (Thursday, September 19th)
☐ **Welcome Breakfast. .** (Friday, September 20th)
☐ **Awards Lunch . . . . . .** (Friday, September 20th)
☆ **(Non-conference registrants must pay $25 per meal)** ☆

Conference Schedule

☆ **Thursday, September 19, 2013**

10:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	**Registration**
12:00 p.m – 1:30 p.m.	**Welcome Lunch**
1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	**Workshop Session I & Youth Café**

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	**Workshop Session II & Youth Café**
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	**Luau Dinner with Entertainment (Comfortable Luau Attire Suggested)**

☆ **Friday, September 20, 2013**

7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	**Registration**
7:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	**Welcome Breakfast**

- Keynote Speaker Kisha Wilson-Sogunro

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

9:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	**Workshop Session III & Youth Café (Mobile & Onsite)**

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	**Awards Luncheon**

- 2013 Neighborhood Project , Youth & Advocate Awards

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	**Workshop Session IV & Youth Café**

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	**Closing Ceremony**

14th Annual
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2013 Neighborhood Awards Program
Friday, September 20, 2013

The Virginia Statewide Neighborhood Conference provides monetary awards to recognize the neighborhood organizations and individuals who volunteer their time and efforts to enhance the quality of life in their neighborhoods

☆ **Neighborhood Project of the Year**

☆ **Neighborhood Advocate of the Year**

☆ **Neighborhood Youth Individual or Group Effort of the Year**

All award nominations must be postmarked by
July, 31, 2013

Additional information including Award Nomination Forms are available online at www.vsnc.org

Youth Café Schedule

☆ **Thursday, September 19, 2013**

10:30 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	**Registration**
1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	**Session I-A: Engaged, Empowered, Enlightened**
	Session I-B: Get Smart About Credit
3:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.	**Session II-A: Depression and Suicide**
	Session II-B: Portfolio

☆ **Friday, September 20, 2013**

7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	**Registration**
7:45 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	**Welcome Breakfast**

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

9:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	**Session III: (Mobile) - Virginia Beach Town Center**

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	**Awards Luncheon**

BREAK – VISIT EXHIBITS

2:45 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	**Session IV-A: True Colors**
3:35 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.	**Session IV-B: Career Exploration 101: Blueprint for Life**
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	**Closing Ceremony**

Keynote Speaker Kisha Wilson-Sogunro, Neighborhood Services Manager for Manassas, VA, was recognized by the White House in 2011 as a *Champion of Change*, one of ten educators, entrepreneurs and community activists from around the US for the work they are doing to better their communities.

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Make your hotel reservation **TODAY** to guarantee your room !

Cancellation policy: Reservations must be cancelled within 72 hours of arrival. Less than 72 hour notice will result in a penalty fee of the first night room and tax being charged.

Workshops - Thursday, September 19 - Session I (1:45 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.)

SI-A **The Home Fit Workshop:** This workshop provides education to participants on the type of home modifications needed to stay in their home as they age and home updates that can make it easier for them to go about daily activities while staying comfortable, independent, and injury-free in their home.

SI-B **Grant Writing:** Learn the basis on where to start and what you need to know to successfully write grant applications.

SI-C **Create a Business Plan:** This workshop will guide participants through the steps needed to qualify for tax deductible contributions to carry out their mission.

SI-D **Residential Fire Safety:** This workshop will test your skills regarding fire safety. Learn about fire safety devices and behaviors to ensure fire safety in your home.

Workshops - Thursday, September 19 - Session II (3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

SII-A **Work, Strategy and Vision: Fulfilling Neighborhood Roles:** Learn the five elements of vision and strategy needed for neighborhood organizations to thrive.

SII-B **Utilizing Technology to Restore Neighborhood Sociability, Prevent Crime and Engage Residents:** This workshop will focus on how to make connections with your neighborhoods. Learn about Nextdoor and how this networking site can benefit your neighborhood.

SII-C **Research-based knowledge for strengthening Neighborhoods:** This workshop provides an overview of current research that works for strengthening neighborhoods and community groups. Learn about three large-scale research projects on urban neighborhoods and gain information on neighborhood development research.

SII-D **Putting Your Neighborhood in the Driver's Seat: Effective Community Interaction with City Government:** This workshop will discuss how neighborhood civic groups find solutions to neighborhood issues through education and neighborhood projects by working with city staff; effectively interact and create viable local government interactions.

Workshops - Friday, September 20 - Session III (9:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.)

SIII-A (Mobile) **Seatack Community:** Tour the Seatack Community, the oldest African American Community in Virginia Beach. Learn about the many firsts and contributions the community has made to the history of the Hampton Roads region through the years.

SIII-B (Mobile) **South Beach Neighborhood:** Tour the South End of the beach's residential neighborhood to see how the City of Virginia Beach invested in streetscapes and traffic modifications as well as establish design guidelines.

SIII-C (Mobile) **NAS Oceana Residential Area:** Up close tour of neighborhoods affected by the "base realignment & closure" (BRAC) acquisition. Hear about the many programs the City of Virginia Beach has in place for residents affected by this acquisition.

SIII-D (Mobile) **Virginia Beach Town Center (Youth Café):** Tour the top of the "Westin", the tallest building in the state of Virginia standing 500 feet high. Learn the history and vision on how and why the Virginia Beach Town Center was created.

SIII-E (On-Site)

☆ **(9:45 a.m-10:45 a.m.) Wells Fargo-Get Smart About Credit:** Participants will explore how to make the most of their money by creating a spending, saving more, and setting financial goals. This seminar will help you improve and manage your credit and reduce your debt.

☆ **(11:00 a.m-12:00 p.m.) The Aging Population:** This workshop will explore who makes up the "Aging Populations" and the potential impacts.

Workshops - Friday, September 20 - Session IV (2:45 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

SIV-A **High Tech and High Touch Methods of Civic Engagement to Help Empower Citizens:** Participants will learn the spectrum and methods to engage citizens. Citizens will be better equipped to know what to ask for and how to work with their local government to solve issues.

SIV-B **Community Policing:** This workshop will explore the purpose of community policing and how it works to improve neighborhoods; reducing crime, connecting with the youth and identifying problem spots.

SIV-C **Youth Civic Engagement:** Participants will begin to develop a working knowledge of the youth civic engagement process and the framework for success which includes setting, structure, strategy and support.

SIV-D **Something Old/Something New:** Living in a Mixed-Used Neighborhood: Participants will learn how historic building/businesses co-exist with new residential development.