

Virginia Beach Jaycees – Call For 2018 Nominations

UPDATE



The Virginia Beach Jaycees are now accepting nominations for the 2018 First Citizen of Virginia Beach Award.

Virginia Beach, VA November 7, 2018 – The 2018 First Citizen of Virginia Beach will be the 68th honoree for the award. Joining the ranks of some of the area's most prominent men and women in the city ranging from judges and political figures, to business owners and key volunteers.

Since 1950, the Virginia Beach Jaycees have been celebrating the achievements of a key Virginia Beach citizen for their work and dedication to improving our city. Fundamental characteristics of past honorees include those who have been vital in supporting and growing local business and the growth of the city, as well as empowerment of local citizens.

Honorees for the previous six years include the following and a full list of all winners can be found on the VB Jaycees [website](#):

- 2017 – Morgan Davis
- 2016 – Daniel N. Ryan Sr.
- 2015 – Fred Napolitano, Sr.
- 2014 – Aubrey Layne, Jr.
- 2013 – Ramon W. Breeden, Jr.
- 2012 – Bruce Thompson

Do you know someone worthy of being named the First Citizen of Virginia Beach? Accolades and accomplishments do NOT have to be focused on the previous calendar year and the evening will be a celebration of identifying their continued contributions throughout their lifetime. Ultimately, the First Citizen of Virginia Beach will embody the United States Jaycees Creed, which states that:

That faith in God gives meaning and purpose to human life; That the brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations; That economic justice can best be won by free men through free enterprise; That Government should be of laws rather than of men; That earth's great treasure lies in human personality; And that service to humanity is the best work of life!

The application instructions and form can be found on the VB Jaycees [website](#).

The 2018 First Citizen of Virginia Beach will be awarded their distinction during a banquet in their name in the first half of 2019. The planning committee will work with the honoree to determine the date and evening theme so it's personalized and representative. For the most recent celebration, we held a piano-inspired

evening affair for Mr. Morgan Davis, the President & CEO of TowneBank. Check out the recap and photo gallery on the VB Jaycees website.

In addition to selecting the First Citizen of Virginia Beach, the VB Jaycees have been a core group of young professionals ages 18-40 in the area since the 1940s. The group serves to promote leadership training and community involvement and their historical influence over the city includes everything from aiding in the development of the Virginia Beach Volunteer Rescue Squad and public library systems to managing the East Coast Surfing Championships. ECSC has been celebrating the surfer lifestyle since 1962 and some of the most prominent surfers in the world have graced our waters as a result. ECSC is the 2nd oldest, continuously run surfing championship in the world. For more on ECSC, check out the highlights from 2018 on their [website](#).

Nominations for the 2018 First Citizen of Virginia Beach Award will be open until **DECEMBER 7, 2018**.