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### **Baltimore SmartCEO Announces the 2014 Brava! Awards Winners**

*30 powerhouse female business leaders to be recognized in  
SmartCEO's Brava! Awards program*

**Baltimore, MD (April 18, 2014)** — Baltimore SmartCEO is pleased to announce the 2014 Brava! Award winners. The Brava! Awards celebrate the distinguished achievements of 30 of Greater Baltimore's top women business leaders. This year's class collectively generates more than \$154 million in annual revenue and employ over 1,177 individuals. This year's winners will be profiled in the July/August issue of SmartCEO magazine and celebrated at an awards ceremony on July 17, 2014 at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore.

*Please see below for a complete list of winners and for program details. To share in the excitement leading up to the event, follow us @SmartCEO #BravaAwards.*

“Brava winners possess the utmost qualities in a leader — vision, passion, compassion, dedication, perseverance. Every one of this year's winners exhibits these qualities in running their business, their families and their philanthropic activities. They give 110 percent of them selves,” says Jaime Nesor, regional president of SmartCEO Media. “We are honored and humbled to recognize a group of women who are truly making a difference in the world.”

The winners will be celebrated at the Baltimore Brava! Awards ceremony on July 17, 2014, at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore. An expected sell-out event, 300 local C-level executives and guests will attend to celebrate their achievements. Past Brava! winners will also be in attendance, to welcome the new class of winners and grow the community. The event will kick off with a cocktail reception followed by the awards ceremony and a final toast to the women leaders of Greater Baltimore.

#### **About SmartCEO**

SmartCEO's mission is to educate and inspire the business community through its award-winning magazine, connections at C-level events and access to valuable online resources.





SmartCEO's integrated media platforms reach decision makers in the Baltimore, New York, Philadelphia and Washington, metropolitan areas.

### **About the Brava! Awards**

The Brava! Awards program celebrates female CEOs who combine their irrepressible entrepreneurial spirit with a passion for giving back to the community. Brava! Award winners are exemplary leaders of both their companies and their communities. They encourage local philanthropy, mentor up-and-coming leaders and set their companies on the path to tremendous growth. Each year, an independent committee of local business leaders selects winners based on the quality of applications submitted. SmartCEO shares their inspiring stories in the July/August issue of SmartCEO magazine and celebrates their success at an awards reception in July.

### **Complete Program Information**

#### **2014 Brava! Awards**

**Date:** Thursday, July 17, 2014

**Time:** 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

**Location:** Hyatt Regency Baltimore  
300 Light St., Baltimore, MD 21202

**Attire:** Business Cocktail

### **2014 Baltimore Brava! Winners**

**Jennifer Quinn**, All-Pro Placement Services, Inc.

**Pat Isaac**, Capital Services, Inc.

**Jenette Young**, ComForcare Home Care Services

**Vonda E. Peterson, Assoc. AIA, LEED AP**, Creative Access, Inc.

**Carla Northrop**, The Creig Northrop Team of Long & Foster Real Estate

**Deborah S. Phelps**, The Education Foundation of Baltimore County Public Schools, Inc.

**Amy E. Ives**, Evolve Consulting Group, Inc.

**Shelonda Stokes**, greiBO Entertainment

**Dina Wasmer**, Incite Creative, Inc.

**Vicki Young**, IVY Services, LLC

**Donna Kolb**, Kolb Electric

**Isabella Firth**, LifeSpan Network

**Julie Lenzer Kirk**, Maryland Center for Entrepreneurship

**Janice Tippett**, Millennium Marketing Solutions, Inc.

**Kimberly Valentine-Langley**, National Fiber and Copper, Inc.

**Tammy Ehrbaker**, NVS Salon & Spa





**Barbara Gassaway**, Observation Baltimore & The Research Group  
**Pamela M. Anthony, RN, BSN, CDMS, CCM**, Restore Rehabilitation LLC  
**Christina Ensley**, Rudolph's Office & Computer Supply, Inc.  
**Gina D. Shaffer, Shaffer**, McLaughlin & Stover, LLC  
**Sheila Stenhouse Lee**, Sheila Lee & Associates, LLC – Learning Everywhere  
**Elizabeth S. Gantnier, CPA**, Stegman & Company  
**Wanda Smith Ritzenthaler**, Symphony Placements  
**Diana T. Gaines**, Tu Casa Development Group LLC  
**Jeanne Puglisi Sherwood, RN**, WellAdvantage

**2014 Nonprofit Winners**

**Joyce Duffy**, Harford Family House, Inc.  
**Kathleen Westcoat**, HealthCare Access Maryland  
**Virginia Knowlton Marcus**, Maryland Disability Law Center  
**Susan F. Shea**, Presbyterian Home of Maryland  
**Teresa Donofrio Snyder**, Roland Park Place

To find out more about the 2015 Brava! Awards nomination process, email us at [BAprograms@smartceo.com](mailto:BAprograms@smartceo.com). For information about sponsorship opportunities, email us at [Baltimore@smartceo.com](mailto:Baltimore@smartceo.com).

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