

SECTION C: PART I – ESSAY

(PLEASE SEE OVERVIEW PAGE FOR ESSAY REQUIREMENTS)

The 600-word essay gives you a chance to provide a convincing argument for the selection of your community as the Washington Metropolitan Chapter Community Associations Institute's Charitable Community of the Year. The essay will address your community's specific charitable projects or community outreach activities outside the boundaries of your community and into the surrounding area. Include information that will convey the impact of your outreach or humanitarian projects on those they are intended to help. Provide supporting data that indicates the level of community involvement in and enthusiasm for the community's charitable efforts (i.e., total volunteers, volunteer hours and /or total funds or goods raised, or finances allocated for the charitable projects or outreach activities).

As specified in the essay requirements section on the first page, the essay must be completed by a board member or other homeowner who is a current member of WMCCAI and whose signature appears below. The essay must be typed on a separate page, double-spaced, and include the applicable word count at the end. Include the author's name, contact information, member ID and title (if applicable). **The essay will be disqualified if written by a manager.**

COMMUNITY BOARD MEMBER OR HOMEOWNER SIGNATURE