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Six Northern Virginia Projects Honored by Community Appearance Alliance

The Community Appearance Alliance of Northern Virginia recognized six projects recently for enhancing the visual quality of Northern Virginia over the past year. Winning entries of the annual Community Appearance Awards include four in Fairfax County and one each in the City of Alexandria and Prince William County.

The awards are granted for design and construction projects, collaborative efforts and to community associations for outstanding contributions that enhance the visual quality of Northern Virginia.

Founded in 1987, the Community Appearance Alliance is a non-profit organization that advocates for “visual quality in Northern Virginia by promoting the concept of beautifying our community.” Its members include architects, planners, realtors, real estate developers and citizen activists.

Awards were presented to:

- **Fairfax Regional Library**, Fairfax City: Recently renovated as a contemporary building in a traditional style, the library blends well with adjacent buildings.
- **Samuel L. Gravely, Jr. Elementary School**, Haymarket: Its attractive and innovative architecture is an inspiring center for learning.
- **Herrity Building Green Roof**, Fairfax County: As a demonstration project, this will help the county better design eco-friendly roofs in the future.
- **Workhouse Arts Center**, Lorton: the former 30-building prison has been transformed into a world-class arts community.
- **Little Pimmit Run**, Fairfax County: A collaborative public-private partnership solved serious environmental problems and added attractive amenities to the stream.
- **T.C. Williams High School**, Alexandria: the new state-of-the-art school is a LEED-certified “green” building and includes many environmental features.

For additional information about the Community Appearance Alliance, or the CAA awards program, contact G. Mark Gibb, Executive Director of the Northern Virginia Regional Commission and CAA board member, at 703.642.0700.