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## Leadership Arlington Graduates 26 from the Young Professionals Program

**Arlington, VA** - Leadership Arlington celebrated the accomplishments of 26 up-and-coming leaders during the Young Professionals Program Fall Class of 2014 graduation ceremony at Marymount University on Tuesday, January 13 at 7:00pm.

The Young Professionals Fall Class of 2014 participated in the four-month long program beginning last September that helped them to expand their footprint in the community, connect with established community leaders, develop an awareness of community needs and cultivate new leadership skills.

"This program helped me learn I am not alone in my challenges as a young professional. It was great to hear people share their experiences and know that what I am experiencing in the professional world is normal and that I am supported through Leadership Arlington and my peers," said Corri Sullivan, Director of New Student Transitions at Marymount University and graduate of the Fall Class of 2014.

Goals of the Young Professionals Program include philanthropic awareness, civic engagement, leadership skills development and networking. These leaders were given the opportunity to hone their skills and acquire the resources and knowledge necessary to act as agents of change in their community as a result of the program. As Meredith Goldberg, Designer for INTEC Group, Inc. and graduate of the Fall Class of 2014, stated, "Even the smallest of talent is worth something and can be used to your advantage and set you apart from others."



## Congratulations to the Leadership Arlington Young Professionals Program Fall Class of 2014!

**Aryany Cedeño**, Arlington Food Assistance Center

Patricia Dingcong, LTBD

Meredith Dukes, Accenture

Jeanine Finch, Arlington County, County Board Office

Christopher Fong, Vornado/Charles E. Smith

Meredith Goldberg, INTEC Group, Inc.

Caitlin Jones, National Housing & Rehabilitation Association

Nicole Lewis, Beacon Hill

Nancy Liao, Virginia Hospital Center

Frances Mack, APAH

Krista Mather, Marymount University

**Gregory Mihalek, Technomics** 

Amanda Needham, Tradition Homes

Jennifer New, SRA International

Melissa O'Connor, Arlington County, Economic Development

Aileen Pangan, Encore Stage & Studio

Scott Pedowitz, PriceWaterhouse Coopers

Taylor Pool, Chesapeake Bay Foundation

Matt Roberts, Bean, Kinney & Korman, P.C.

**Stephanie Rochford**, Arlington County, Parks & Recreation

Jhannet Sejas, Arlington Community Federal Credit Union

Jessica Silva, Arlington County, Commissioner of Revenue

Courtney Simon, Northrop Grumman Corporation

Corri Sullivan, Marymount University

Natalie Sutherland, Turner Construction Company

Meredith Westerlund, Leadership Arlington

Thank you to the Premier Young Professionals Program Sponsors, Arlington Community Federal Credit Union and Marymount University, as well as the Fall Class of 2014 Graduation Sponsor, League of Women Voters.

## **About Leadership Arlington**

The mission of Leadership Arlington is to enlighten, inspire and connect leaders to strengthen the community. The vision of Leadership Arlington is a prepared, inspired and inclusive leadership who together embrace responsibility for the common good. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.leadershiparlington.org">www.leadershiparlington.org</a> or call 703-528-2522.