

## Special Thanks

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**God's House International Inc.**

Presents

**The Faces of *Homelessness***

**St. Thomas USVI**



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**National Hunger and  
Homelessness Awareness Week**

**November 12, 2006**

**1 PM to 5 PM**

**Market Square**

**St. Thomas USVI**

## Event Schedule

# ABOUT GOD'S HOUSE

### God's House International Inc.

God's House International Inc. is a non-profit organization founded by Mrs. Yvonne Washington-Turay, a Family Nurse Practitioner living in the Virgin Islands. Our vision is to bridge the medical, social, cultural and economic gaps for all people at home and abroad. For the past six years, Mrs. Turay has focused on providing free medical care, food, clothing outreach education on HIV/AIDS and general health issues in Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa. Over the past three years, while living and working in the St. Thomas, USVI Mrs. Turay has provided community outreach and education to Virgin Islanders of all ages on HIV/AIDS, hypertension and diabetes as well as other life issues. Mrs. Turay and her co-worker Ms. Lauris Harley, who has long been an advocate for the homeless, have teamed up to present this current program – “The Faces of Homelessness, St. Thomas, USVI.” This event will be the opening event for National Homelessness and Hunger Awareness Week as well as to commemorate the Finale of National Nurse Practitioner's Week (November 5 to 11). The Virgin Islands has its share of homeless individuals. Many of these individuals have voiced various concerns to Mrs. Turay. This event will be a venue to express these concerns. It is our hope, at God's House International Inc., that this event will be an environment which will facilitate a positive change in the living conditions of OUR Virgin Islands Homeless population as well as an opportunity for continued discussion of how to control these social ills.

Welcome..... Ms. Lauris Harley, Coordinator

1:00 P.M. Invocation.....Rev Toi A. Barbel

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1:10 P.M. National Anthems/VI March

1: 15 P.M. Reading of the Proclamation

1:30 P.M. Message from the Founder  
Mrs. Yvonne Washington-Turay MSN, FNP

1:45 P.M. Special Song—Genevieve Baird

2:00 P.M. Homelessness and Addictions  
Dr. Celia Victor

2: 30 P.M. Question and Answer

2: 45 P. M. Homelessness and Substance Abuse  
Ms. Desiree Lambertis

3: 15 P. M. Question and Answer

3: 30 P. M. Positive Interventions with Homelessness  
Dr. Pat Cummins

4: 00 P. M. Question and Answer

4: 15 P. M. Special Song

4: 30 P. M. Wrap Up/Closing Remarks/Prayer  
Ms. Lauris Harley, Event Coordinator  
Mrs. Yvonne Washington-Turay