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### ***Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Virginia now offers FREE Up-To-Date Housing Statistics***

The Center for Housing Leadership at Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Virginia, Inc. (HOME) announces the release of the inaugural Virginia Housing Statistics Snapshot, a FREE data source for media focusing on the housing market in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Snapshot, which includes statistics related to housing from leading sources, organizes data-rich information on affordable housing, fair housing, and fair lending.

You may access the Virginia Housing Statistics Snapshot by simply go to our press resources page at **[www.phoneHOME.org](http://www.phoneHOME.org)**. Snapshot users will be able to illustrate trending patterns in Virginia with both personal stories and data to back them up. The Snapshot will be updated any time one of the sources releases new information.

**If you would like to be on the regular distribution list for updated Snapshots, which is expected to go out 8-10 times per year, you may do so by emailing: [info@phoneHOME.org](mailto:info@phoneHOME.org).**

The Center for Housing Leadership is working at the policy level to create the systemic change that will expand housing opportunities. Research initiatives at the Center for Housing Leadership are made possible by the Wachovia Foundation and the Virginia Equal Housing Foundation. HOME's Research Analyst, Will Sanford, constantly tracks housing data for Virginia. We are proud to add this important information to our website for you.

Housing Opportunities Made Equal, Inc. (HOME) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. HOME was founded in 1971 to fight discrimination in housing access. Many of HOME's victories are well known, setting US Supreme Court precedents and providing national impact. HOME endeavors to ensure equal access to housing for all people through housing education, advocacy and leadership. HOME protects all Virginians from illegal housing discrimination; helps buyers to be successful, long-term homeowner; helps homeowners keep their homes from foreclosure or scam artists; and provides key research and advocacy resources for statewide housing concerns.

*For more information on HOME and its programs, visit [www.phoneHOME.org](http://www.phoneHOME.org) or call 804-354-0641.*