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**AARP in The Virgin Islands Recognizes Alma Winkfield for her  
Dedication and Commitment to Community Service with its  
Most Prestigious Volunteer Award**

**St. Croix/St. Thomas/St. John – Alma Winkfield** has been selected by AARP, the nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering Americans and that enhances the quality of life for all as we age to receive the **2019 AARP Virgin Islands Andrus Award for Community Service** -- the Association's most prestigious and visible state volunteer award for community service.

AARP Virgin Islands selected Ms. Winkfield for her remarkable service which has greatly benefited the community, supported AARP's vision and mission, and inspired other volunteers. Ms. Winkfield has established partnerships and good relationships with various government agencies and local groups to discuss ideas and find solutions. She is always willing to help a project come to fruition especially if it's a good idea for the community. She is courageous and tenacious and focuses on results. She is committed to improving the quality of life and safety in The Virgin Islands. Ms. Winkfield is the Vice President of VI Trail Alliance and Partners, the organization responsible for the opening of the first Bike Lane in the territory.

The award will be formally presented to Ms. Winkfield at a ceremony and luncheon on Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 12 pm at the Ritz Carlton Hotel Ballroom in St. Thomas, USVI.

"This award acts as a symbol to the public that we can all work together for positive social change," says Corinne Plaskett, Volunteer State President of AARP in The Virgin Islands. "AARP has long valued the spirit of volunteerism and the important contributions volunteers make to their communities, neighbors, and the programs they serve, states Troy de Chabert-Schuster, State Director of AARP in The Virgin Islands."

Recipients across the nation were chosen for their ability to enhance the lives of AARP members and prospective members, improve the community in or for which the work was performed, and inspire others to volunteer.

**ABOUT AARP**

*AARP is the nation's largest nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to empowering Americans 50 and older to choose how they live as they age. With nearly 38 million members and offices in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, AARP works to strengthen communities and advocate for what matters most to families with a focus on health security, financial stability and personal fulfillment. AARP also works for individuals in the marketplace by sparking new solutions and allowing carefully chosen, high-quality products and services to carry the AARP name. As a trusted source for news and information, AARP produces the nation's largest circulation publications, AARP The Magazine and AARP Bulletin. To learn more, visit [www.aarp.org](http://www.aarp.org) or follow @AARP and @AARPadvocates on social media.*