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## **NAVASA Announces Recipients to National Young Community Leaders Recognition (NYCLR) Award**

**Washington D.C.**—The National Alliance of Vietnamese American Service Agencies (NAVASA) proudly announces the twelve recipients for the first National Young Community Leaders Recognition (NYCLR) at the National Conference in Orange, California July 24-26, 2003. NYCLR nationally recognize young and upcoming professional Vietnamese leaders who have worked, and continue to work, endlessly in various sectors on behalf of the community in which they live.

The twelve recipients are:

- James D. Bui (Dorchester, MA),
- Tami Bui (Sacramento, CA),
- Thu-Ha Dang (Madison, WI),
- T. Van Do (San Francisco, CA),
- Dung Huynh (Hanover Park, IL),
- Hongly La (Gaithersburg, MD),
- Cavatina Pham (Houston, TX),
- Jason Hoai Tran (York, PA),
- Thang D. Tran (W. Hartford, CT),
- Thuy T. Tran (Brockton, MA),
- Trinh N. Tran (Rosemead, CA), and
- Phu Vo (Springfield, VA)

NYCLR is prestigious award recognition from NAVASA for young Vietnamese Americans who have strongly demonstrated an indefinite commitment, passion, and clear vision toward building and bridging the Vietnamese American communities across the country. The recipients of NYCLR will become fellows in NAVASA Leadership Institute. The Institute will mentor, network, and promote the recipients throughout their public service commitments and to ensure that they will continue to contribute to the community in many ways.

“Today’s high demand for the continuation of community work must be carried out by the younger generation”, Huy Bui, Executive Director of NAVASA stated. “We are very pleased with the chosen awardees and believe that they have the potentials to carry our community to the next level. NAVASA will do everything we can to promote and encourage young Vietnamese American to continue serving society and its community”, he added.

This year recipients were selected from a highly competitive pool of applicants across the nation. All twelve recipients are young Vietnamese Americans, between ages of 18 to 35, who came from diverse backgrounds in education, professions, leadership experience, and community involvement.

The Recognition Banquet will take place at 7pm on Thursday July 24, 2003 at the Seafood World Restaurant on 15351 Brookhurst Avenue, Westminster, California.

For more information on Banquet and conference registration, please visit our website at [www.navasa.org](http://www.navasa.org).

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NAVASA is a national advocacy agency currently comprised of 31 mutual assistance associations (MAAs). Since its incorporation in 1995 as a non-profit 501(c) (3) organization, NAVASA has promoted economic self-sufficiency and active citizenship for Vietnamese-Americans through full participation in the socio-political system. Located in metropolitan Washington DC, NAVASA is fully committed to assisting its affiliate organizations to address the civic, economic, linguistic, and social needs facing community members in their specific localities.

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