

## **JONATHAN C. ZUR**

*President & CEO*

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Jonathan C. Zur is President & CEO of the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities (VCIC), an organization that works with schools, business, and communities to achieve success through inclusion. Under Jonathan's leadership, VCIC increased the number of programs delivered annually by nearly 1,000%, and the organization has been recognized locally and nationally for its effectiveness.

An experienced facilitator and consultant on issues of diversity and inclusion, Jonathan was appointed by the Governor of Virginia to the Commonwealth Commission on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, formed in the aftermath of the tragedy in Charlottesville in August 2017. In 2016, Jonathan was a speaker at the inaugural White House Summit on Diversity and Inclusion in Government. His program work with VCIC is noted in the book *No COLORS: 100 Ways to Stop Gangs from Taking Away Our Communities* as "the best...in the nation for sowing the seeds of non-violence, inclusiveness and understanding in a high school." Prior to joining the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities in 2006, Jonathan was a Program Manager for the New Jersey Region of the National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ), and founding Director of A More Perfect Union, a coalition formed in response to emerging forms of bias after September 11, 2001.



In the community, Jonathan supports a variety of organizations. He is Vice Chair and Operations Coordinator for the National Federation for Just Communities, First Vice Chair for the Capital Area Partnership Uplifting People, and a member of the Hope in the Cities Council and the Leadership Metro Richmond Board of Directors.

Jonathan earned his B.A. from the University of Richmond and he received a Certificate in Nonprofit Executive Leadership from the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University. For his professional work and community involvement, Jonathan received a Martin Luther King, Jr. Drum Major for Justice Award, the FBI Director's Community Leadership Award, the Leadership Metro Richmond Ukrop Community Vision Award, and the Stettinius Award for Nonprofit Leadership, among other recognitions. Additionally, Jonathan was a finalist for the Richmond Times Dispatch's 2015 Person of the Year, and he was named one of Richmond's "Top 40 Under 40" in 2009.