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Community Council of Dallas Presents the 2018 Community Impact Awards Luncheon

Former Dallas Mayor Tom Leppert to deliver keynote address

DALLAS (Oct. 22, 2018) -- Former Dallas Mayor **Tom Leppert** will be the keynote speaker for the 2018 Community Impact Awards Luncheon on Thursday, Nov. 8, at the Tower Club Dallas at 1601 Elm Street, Dallas, TX 75201. The VIP reception begins at 10:30 a.m. in conjunction with the silent auction. The luncheon and awards program begin at 11:30 a.m. This year's theme is "*A Tale of Two Cities: Reshaping the Possibilities*". **Meredith Land**, co-anchor of NBC 5, will emcee the event.

"The focus is to have our former mayor lead the conversation regarding the racial inequities that exist between the northern and southern sectors. Specifically, it's an analysis through the lens of the social determinants of health – education, transportation and housing," said **Ken Goodgames**, president and CEO of Community Council.

Jennifer Sampson, CEO of the United Way of Metropolitan Dallas, will receive the Community Impact Distinguished Service Leader Award and **Michael Sorrell**, President of Paul Quinn College, will receive the Community Impact Distinguished Leader Award in Education. Sampson and Sorrell will be joined by other awardees for their efforts in impacting their community.

These include:

Community Impact Civic Leader – **Dr. Elba Garcia** (Dallas County Commissioner, District 4)

Community Impact Emerging Leader – Café Momentum

Community Impact Nonprofit of the year – TORI – Texas Offenders Reentry Initiative (**Tina Naidoo**, Executive Director)

Community Impact Social Enterprise Award – **Keith Thode**, CEO & Chief Scientist, AdvanceNet Labs

Community Impact Collaborator Award goes to five recipients: **Dr. Mari Tietze**, TWU; **Dr. Giovanni Filardo**, Director of Epidemiology, Baylor Scott & White Health; **Jane Hunley**; **Dr. Chrisette Dharma**; **Dr. Frederick D. Haynes III**

The 2018 Community Impact Awards Luncheon Host Committee includes **Stephen Love** and **Dr. Tietze**; **Rick** and **Sandra Illes**; **Levi** and **Loretta Davis**; **Regina Montoya** and **Paul Coggins** and **Dr. Bobby Lyle** and **Dr. Lottye Lyle**.

For sponsorship and ticket information, contact Sheila George, 214-954-4209 or events@ccadvance.org or www.2018communityimpactawards.com

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About Community Council

The Community Council of Greater Dallas was founded in 1940 and offers a variety of programs and services for seniors and youth, regarding information on health and wellness, as well as providing

information through 2-1-1, a Referral Service Hot Line. The Community Council has recently received the Texas Health and Human Services Community Services Block Grant, which works to alleviate poverty for families in Dallas County who are 125 percent below the poverty level.

For more information on programs and resources, visit www.ccadvance.org.