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**The future of community care will come under the spotlight at this year's  
CAF Annual Conference and Exhibition**

Bill Garland OBE, Deputy Director of Community Service Volunteers (CSV), will tackle the increasingly difficult challenge of engaging tomorrow's citizens in future community activity, and question whether the vision of tomorrow's caring community can ever be a reality.

Having served on a wide range of voluntary and statutory sector committees and working groups, and awarded the OBE in 2003 for services to young people, Bill Garland's timely address will follow a striking NOP survey, conducted on behalf of CAF. The study shows Britain's young people today discover more about charitable giving through the media than any other source, including traditional environments such as the church, at home, and in school.

Other keynote speakers include Geraldine Peacock CBE, Chair of the Charity Commission, and Simon Hughes MP, President of the Liberal Democrat Party, Charities' Minister Fiona MacTaggart MP, and Shadow Minister for Civil Society Jacqui Lait MP, who will be outlining their parties' views of the voluntary sector in the run up to the next General Election.

Chaired by BBC Correspondent, Nicholas Witchell, this one-day Conference entitled Making a Giving Community - creating a sense of citizenship, offers a packed programme of seminars and workshops, together with a 25-stand exhibition tailored specifically to the needs of charities and community groups.

The CAF Annual Conference and Exhibition takes place on Thursday 11 November 2004, at One Great George Street, London SW1P 3AA. To mark its 30th anniversary, tickets cost just £100 + VAT for a full day delegate or £60 + VAT for a half day delegate.

For a full programme or to book a place, visit [www.cafonline.org/conference](http://www.cafonline.org/conference) or email [events@cafonline.org](mailto:events@cafonline.org)

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