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CENTRAL VALLEY COMMUNITY BANK HONORED
FOR SUPPORTING SMALL BUSINESSES & CREATING NEW JOBS

FRESNO, CALIFORNIA…December 7, 2009… Daniel J. Doyle, President and Chief Executive Officer of Central Valley Community Bank (Bank), the sole subsidiary of Central Valley Community Bancorp (Company) (NASDAQ: CVCY), is pleased to announce that the Bank received honors from the Cen Cal Business Finance Group for supporting locally owned small businesses through the Small Business Administration (SBA) 504 loan program during the fiscal year that ended September 30, 2009.

Central Valley Community Bank was recognized for being the number one 504 Lender in Fresno, Madera and Kings counties, participating in four 504 loans that totaled over $4.1 million in project costs and created at least 28 full-time jobs in Fresno and King counties. The Bank has been recognized eight out of the past ten years as being the top lender in the SBA 504 loan program under Cen Cal Business Finance Group. Over the past ten years, Central Valley Community Bank has participated in a total of 75 SBA 504 loans with projected costs exceeding $66.2 million and creating over 522 jobs in and around the Central San Joaquin Valley.

The SBA and Board of Directors of the Cen Cal Business Finance Group formally acknowledged Central Valley Community Bank at the 21st SBA Annual Membership Meeting held on December 2, 2009.

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"Central Valley Community Bank is committed to economic development and creating new jobs in our community," stated Dan Doyle, President and CEO of Central Valley Community Bank and Central Valley Community Bancorp. "The Bank has been administering SBA lending for nearly 30 years and we are honored to be recognized eight out of the past ten years for our continued efforts."

The Cen Cal Business Finance Group is a non-profit organization certified by the U.S. Small Business Administration to operate its economic development program, which provides fixed-asset financing for small businesses.

Central Valley Community Bancorp trades on the NASDAQ stock exchange under the symbol CVCY. Central Valley Community Bank, headquartered in Fresno, California, was founded in 1979 and is the sole subsidiary of Central Valley Community Bancorp. Central Valley Community Bank currently operates 16 offices in Clovis, Fresno, Kerman, Lodi, Madera, Merced, Oakhurst, Prather, Sacramento, Stockton, Tracy, and a loan production office in Modesto, California. Additionally, the Bank operates Commercial Real Estate Lending, SBA Lending and Agribusiness Lending Departments. Investment services are provided by Investment Centers of America and insurance services are offered through Central Valley Community Insurance Services LLC. Members of Central Valley Community Bancorp's and the Bank's Board of Directors are: Daniel N. Cunningham (Chairman), Sidney B. Cox, Edwin S. Darden, Jr., Daniel J. Doyle, Steven D. McDonald, Louis McMurray, Wanda L. Rogers (Director Emeritus), William S. Smittcamp, and Joseph B. Weirick. More information about Central Valley Community Bancorp and Central Valley Community Bank can be found at www.cvcb.com.

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