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MAYOR DELLUMS, HUD DEPUTY SECRETARY ANNOUNCE RECOVERY ACT FUNDING FOR OAKLAND PUBLIC HOUSING

*Oakland to Receive Double the Normal Funds; \$10.6 Million in Stimulus Funds to be Used for
Six Public Housing Developments*

OAKLAND – Mayor Ron Dellums, Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Deputy Secretary Ron Sims, officials from the Oakland Housing Authority and Oakland City Councilmembers announced today that Oakland will receive \$10.6 million in stimulus funding through the American Recovery Reinvestment Act (ARRA). These funds double the number of dollars Oakland would normally receive for housing development. The funds will be used for six public housing developments throughout the city and will create approximately 120 jobs.

Mayor Dellums and Deputy Secretary Sims were joined by Councilmembers Desley Brooks and Rebecca Kaplan at Palo Vista Gardens, which is receiving \$4 million from the ARRA for capital improvements and energy efficiency.

“I am very pleased with the outcome of this grant allocation,” said Mayor Dellums. “These federal stimulus dollars will ensure that we continue to care for our most vulnerable population and provide quality housing for all Oakland residents. This allocation is more evidence that President Obama and the Federal Government understand that by putting as much money as possible into local communities, we can generate jobs to stimulate economic development and grow a sustainable workforce.”

Councilmember Brooks said: “The Obama administration's commitment to bold and dynamic change is evident in the improvements and upgrades that will be made possible by this grant. No longer will public housing have a look of neglect and despair.”

Six sites receiving funding, include:

Harrison Street Senior Housing (\$350,000): ARRA funds will provide for many improvements for the seniors including hallway upgrades on all residential floors, new windows in hallways, the installation of an emergency generator, the upgrade of the resident’s community room and exterior painting.

Adele Court (\$600,000): Property will become more energy efficient with the replacement of exterior siding, the addition of new double pane windows, new exterior doors, new fencing and security enhancements, and the installation of an emergency generator and new exterior paint.

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Campbell Village (\$480,000): Solar panels will make the complex energy efficient. All of the buildings will receive new exterior painting, the roof eaves will be replaced and all fencing will be painted.

Lockwood Gardens (\$2,070,000): Work will include the installation of a moisture barrier, the demolition of entry booths, construction of equipment bays, fencing and curb restoration, the exterior painting and reroofing of 76 units, water line cut off valves, door and mailbox replacement and re-keying, and sealing and striping of the parking areas.

Palo Vista Gardens (\$4,450,000): Work will include building and unit restoration and reroofing of all facilities. In addition, solar power, solar exterior lighting, a new hot water system and double-paned windows will bring new energy efficiency to the entire residential community. The restoration of the drainage system is slated, new landscaping is planned and metal railings will be installed.

Peralta Villa (\$1,500,000): Double-pane energy efficient windows will be installed and the parking areas will be resealed and striped and equipment bays constructed. A zeroscape landscape redesign with drought resistant plantings will be installed.

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