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## **HACLA Partners with AC Green Youth Foundation**

Los Angeles –The Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) today announced a formal partnership with AC Green Youth Foundation. () youth residing in public housing communities were selected to participate in AC Green Youth Foundation’s summer camp. In 2013, the foundation has agreed to accept (#) from HACLA’s communities.

The goal of the camp is to identify and encourage leaders among children who might otherwise be forgotten -- those who lack positive role models, are physically and/or emotionally abused, economically disadvantaged or victims of homelessness.

“We feel fortunate to work with AC Green’s foundation to benefit our children,” said HACLA President and CEO, Doug Guthrie. “As educational resources dwindle during tough economic times, it is critical that organization’s like this are doing the work to fill in the gap so our youth are exposed to educational and leadership building opportunities while they are out of school.”

The Leadership summer camp is for youth ages 9-15. Some of the activities include educational opportunities, career exploration, character building and basketball. Camps are held in Portland and Los Angeles. NBA Iron Man A.C. Green personally supervises each camp.

“Many youth living in public housing are faced with environmental challenges that may affect their self-esteem and lead them down to making the wrong choices,” said AC Green. “I am excited to spend time with the children and encourage them to set goals and work hard, and most importantly let them know that the decisions they make today will directly impact their tomorrow. I am excited to have a part in their lives to help them realize their true potential no matter where they come from.”

The Housing Authority works to develop meaningful partnerships with private and other public organizations to bring quality social programming to our youngest residents. After school tutoring, summer jobs and early literacy programs are just some of the programs under HACLA’s Education Initiative.

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