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## **Housing Authority Implements Section 3 'Million Dollar Job Program'**

LOS ANGELES – In compliance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) has initiated the Section 3 "Million Dollar Jobs Program" that will provide job training, employment and contract opportunities for HACLA's public housing residents. The Section 3 program is intended to aid low income public housing residents by linking them to jobs, and at the same time addressing the much needed infrastructure improvements in their communities.

On October 28, 2011 HACLA plans to celebrate the start of the program at Nickerson Gardens. Dignitaries will be joined by the workers for a press conference. The Agenda will include remarks from the elected officials, resident/workers, partners and HACLA representatives. A demonstration painting will take place at the end of the press conference.

**When:** Friday, October 28, 2011  
10:00a.m – 11:00a.m

**Where:** Nickerson Gardens Public Housing Community  
1590 E. 114th Street, Bldg 82, Los Angeles, CA 90059

Between 2011 and 2012, HACLA plans to spend over one million dollars, creating jobs for 111 new hires, which is a significant increase from the \$110,000, spent for 8 new hires between 2010 and 2011. The funding for this program comes from capital funds. The projects that were chosen were due to the priority and urgency to improve the public housing sites. The overall goal is to increase household income, while allowing residents to gain more skills and experience and ultimately obtain Union membership, while at the same time beautifying the communities they live in.

The plans for the upcoming projects for Section 3 hires in 2011-2012 include painting at Nickerson Gardens (10 residents), painting at Mar Vista Gardens (10 residents), instillation of security doors and windows (11 residents), roof replacement at Ramona Gardens (5 residents), roof replacement at Rancho San Pedro (5 residents), plumbing replacement at Ramona Gardens (5 residents), sidewalk and concrete repairs (60 residents), and window replacement at William Mead (5 residents). This will equate to a total of 111 working residents, and a total of \$1,110,000 spent.

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