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North Jackson Ward and Dove Street Revitalization Area Master Planning Meetings and Discussions Scheduled

Richmond, VA - The Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority (RRHA) will continue its planning process for the revitalization of the North Jackson Ward community and the Dove Street Revitalization Area by hosting public meetings and discussions. The meeting for the North Jackson Ward community is scheduled for Tuesday, December 9th from 6:00p.m. until 8:00p.m. at the Calhoun Family Investment Center, 436 Calhoun Street. The meeting for the Dove Street Revitalization Area will be held Wednesday, December 10th from 6:00p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at the Overby Sheppard Elementary School, 2300 First Avenue, Richmond, VA.

During the meetings, ICON Architecture Inc. of Boston will present design plans and drawings. Feedback from meeting attendees will be encouraged.

RRHA selected ICON as the firm to lead the agency's planning process for the revitalization of North Jackson Ward, which includes Gilpin Court and Fay Towers and the Dove Street Revitalization Area. ICON serves as the master planner for the revitalization process, leading a team which will create a document, which describes, in narrative and with maps, an overall development concept including both present property uses as well as future land development plans.

The ICON team will also prepare financial analyses, and engage all stakeholders, including residents, community leaders, and city political and business leadership, in a participatory process where input and design elements will be guided by realistic and sound market principles. This multi-faceted master planning effort will conclude in February 2009.

Residents of the North Jackson Ward community, The Dove Street Revitalization Area, and the public are invited to attend. For more information contact the RRHA Communications Office at 780-4344 or email RRHA at info@rrha.state.va.us.

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