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CHP TO PARTICIPATE IN RICHMOND'S "AFFORDABLE HOUSING AWARENESS WEEK"

Richmond, Virginia — During the week of April 18 - 24, **Community Housing Partners (CHP)** and several other local non-profit housing organizations are partnering together to hold the third annual **Affordable Housing Awareness Week**.

"The need for affordable housing in the Richmond Metropolitan area is an issue of growing importance, as it affects the health and economic well-being of communities and people across the region," said **CHP Executive Vice President & COO Orlando Artze**.

Throughout the week, local employees will have the opportunity to take a day off work to complete a service project with one of the participating housing non-profits, including a grounds beautification and landscaping project on Friday, April 23 from 9 am – 1 pm at CHP-managed **Maury Park Senior Apartments**, a rental property for low-income senior citizens located at 1411 Bainbridge Street.

Activities will include weeding, mulching, and planting flowers, so volunteers are encouraged to wear clothing that may get dirty. Lunch and snacks will be provided for the volunteers.

To volunteer for this project or learn more about it, go to www.affordablehousingrichmond.com.

About Community Housing Partners:

Community Housing Partners (CHP) is a 501(c)(3) Community Development Corporation established in 1975 to serve the needs of low-income and low-wealth individuals in the southeast. Our mission is to create affordable, green, sustainable housing opportunities and services for the people and communities we serve.

CHP's activities include sustainable development, architectural design, construction, energy services, homeownership, housing management, and resident and youth services. These efforts, in concert with public and private partnerships, enable us to create and sustain communities of choice that are environmentally friendly, economical to operate, attractive, well-maintained, and durable for the long term.

Since its inception, CHP has expanded its service area to encompass 4 states; assisted or produced more than 2,000 single-family houses; built a multi-family housing inventory of over 5,000 units; and assisted more than 189,500 individuals with their economic, housing, and social needs. Our clients include elderly people, women and children in transition, formerly-homeless people, single female heads-of-household, the chronically mentally ill, at-risk youth and other families and individuals of low-income and low-wealth.

CHP is a chartered member of NeighborWorks® America, and a member of both the Housing Partnership Network and the Federation of Appalachian Housing Enterprises. For more information about CHP, visit www.communityhousingpartners.org.



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