



## MEDIA ADVISORY

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#### **NHA Unveils Brand New 43-unit Townhouse Development in South Ward**

**Newark, N.J. – At 12 p.m., Tuesday, August 11**, The Newark Housing Authority celebrated the grand opening of **Oak Brook Square**, a new 43 one, two-and three-bedroom rental townhouse development located at **462 Clinton Ave., (corner of Peshine Avenue.)**

Oak Brook is 100 percent public housing units with high-quality construction.

Featured at this spectacular, family-friendly community development are gracious living space consisting of two tot lots, recycled glass countertops, frost-free refrigerators, central air conditioning system, washer and dryer hook-ups, energy-efficient appliances and parking lots. Centrally monitored security cameras are also included.

Executive Director Keith Kinard said Oak Brook Square signifies the continued transformation of public housing in this city that offers first-rate affordable housing for low- income families.

"In June, we proudly celebrated Park Place, the first solar-powered public housing site in Newark with 45 townhouse-style units. This month, we are celebrating an additional 43-unit, stylish housing at Oak Brook Square," Kinard said.

"That is excellent news! Because, now, more Newark families will have an opportunity to reside in an environment that is socially conscience with a higher quality of life," Kinard said. "We will continue to strive to build units that are stylish with the highest construction quality."

More than 20 families have already moved into Oak Brook and more families are expected to fill remaining units in the coming weeks.

Mayor Cory Booker said, "all over Newark there is a need for new and improved housing. Since 2006, we have been meeting these challenges and have doubled the number of our affordable housing. The Oak Brook Square development on Clinton Avenue will offer our residents stylish living conditions, and due to the Claremont Construction Group's commitment to sustainability, an eco-friendly environment to live in. I am thrilled to be able to announce the latest manifestation of our dream to improve housing in Newark."

Groundbreaking for Oak Brook Square launched in November 2007. Construction started in March 2008. Claremont Construction Group built the development and Gregory A. Comito & Associates, of Newark, designed it.

**WHO:** Newark Housing Authority Executive Director Keith Kinard with special guests Sen. Frank R. Lautenberg, Mayor Booker and a host of other dignitaries.