



*******MEDIA ALERT*******



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November 1, 2007

**HOUSING AUTHORITY CITY OF SOLEDAD & HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY CELEBRATES THE GRAND OPENING OF BENITO STREET FARM LABOR CENTER
PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION!!**

WHAT: Construction of the Benito Farm Labor Center was completed in early October 2007. This year long, \$19 million construction project has resulted in 73 beautiful new townhomes for the farmworker residents of the Salinas Valley. These housing units, ranging in size from 1 to 5 bedrooms will be available to farmworker families earning up to 80% of the Area Median Income.

WHEN: Tuesday, November 20, 2007

WHERE: Benito FLC
439 Benito Street
Soledad, CA

Phase 1 Unit Mix:

# of Units	Bedrooms	Bathrooms	Size (SF)
Benito Street FLC (73 Units)			
4	1	1	635
16	2	1	829
36	3	2	1386
16	4	2	1504
1	5	2	1605

Housing Type: Multifamily Townhomes

Developer: Monterey County Housing Authority Development Corporation

Architect: Wald, Ruhnke & Dost Architects

Phase 1 Permanent Financing:

- \$4.2 Million U.S. Department of Agriculture
- \$1.2 Million Citibank – Construction and Permanent Financing
- \$3.8 Million HOME Funding
- \$500,000 City of Soledad Redevelopment Agency Loan
- \$7 Million Apollo Housing Capital (Low Income Housing Tax Credits)

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