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CHA Fosters Family with Fatherhood Festivities

*Agency also kicks off campaign to increase the peace through
summer and beyond*

WHAT: Father's Day Celebration & Safe Summer Kick-Off
WHERE: Malcolm X College, 1900 W. Van Buren Street
Van Buren Plaza
WHEN: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Saturday, June 18, 2011
WHO: Congressman Danny K. Davis (7th District)
Reginald Smith, Former NFL Player
Sam McNabb, National Football Players Father's
Association President and father of Donovan McNabb

CHICAGO – To celebrate fathers, grandfathers, uncles, big brothers and male mentors who provide positivity in their communities, the Chicago Housing Authority will hold more than a dozen concurrent Father's Day events at and around its properties.

The largest one, which is co-sponsored by Danny K. Davis (IL-07), Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Child Welfare Brain Trust and State of the African American Male, will take place in **Van Buren Plaza** at **Malcolm X College** (1900 W. Van Buren) from **1:00 p.m.** to **4:00 p.m.** and feature games, music, arts and crafts and appearances from former NFL player Reginald Smith and National Football Players Father's Association President Sam McNabb.

The day will also mark the beginning of CHA's Safe Summer Initiative, which encourages all Chicagoans to commit to nonviolence through summer and beyond. Attendees will be invited to sign Safe Summer pledge cards and given tips on how to curb violent activity in their neighborhoods.

CHA's Father's Day celebration is part of the National Fatherhood Initiative commissioned by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to highlight the importance fathers in the household. As part of the initiative, 195 public housing agencies across the country will hold Father's Day activities on Saturday, June 18.

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