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**HUD Secretary Shaun Donovan Tours Newark with Mayor Cory Booker  
and Executive Director Keith Kinard ;  
NHA Awarded over \$11 million for Baxter Terrace**

**Newark, N.J., September 21, 2009** – U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Secretary Shaun Donovan toured Historic High Street / MLK Jr Boulevard to discuss challenges facing the area, as well as, the progress that have been made in this neighborhood within the last three years.

The walking tour, which included a host of dignitaries, will ran from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. starting on the corner of Spruce Street and Martin Luther King Jr Blvd. Secretary Donovan toured and discuss the following with NHA, city and state officials: an 111-unit abandoned development in two buildings on Spruce Street; Brick Towers site, the former home of Mayor Cory Booker; Montgomery Heights site (an 80- unit 100 percent affordable housing development under construction); Quitman Street School partnership; Cottage Place, a 100-unit mixed-use community completed in 2008; and City View Landing, a 122-unit community completed in 2007.

Additionally, Donovan officially announce that Baxter Terrace was awarded \$11,171,981 as part of a \$300 million competitive grant funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which will allow NHA and 35 other housing authorities across the U.S. to utilize “green” materials and technology to create public housing that conserves energy and encourages more healthy lifestyles.

The redevelopment of Baxter Terrace was already envisioned as a “green,” compact and sustainable new, mixed-income community, which has the advantage of being within a 5-minute walk of Broad Street Transit Station.