## Central Park/Ybor Choice Neighborhoods 2012 Grant Request ~ FACT SHEET

## **QUICK FACTS:**

Grant Amount: \$30,000,000

Applicant: Tampa Housing Authority

Developer: CPDG2, LLC Partners: City of Tampa

Bank of America CDC

Hillsborough County School District

Grant Submitted: April 10, 2012

Grant Status: Awaiting threshold review and shortlisting

Panel Site Visit: TBD

Expected Award: December 2012

Geographic: (Central Park and Ybor City CRA Districts)

## **KEY GRANT COMPONENTS:**

- Development of Lot 2, Tempo at Encore 203 multi-family rental units
- Historic Preservation of St. James Church for community services use
- 2.5 acre managed urban farm on future Meacham school site
- Community center/job training facility building on GTEFCU donated site
- Scott street streetscaping to 7<sup>th</sup> avenue (lighting, sidewalks, landscaping, etc.)
- Renewable energy for Ella, Reed, Trio, and Technology park
- Case management services and endowment trust for relocated residents
- Computer Learning center and resident services at Tampa Park Apartments
- Perry Harvey Park Renovations
- Headstart, Wellness center, and medical clinic build-out and equipping
- Student tuition assistance for St. Peter Claver Catholic School
- Transportation, programs and services for youth and elderly
- Program Evaluation Services
- Grant administration

## 2012 CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE (CNI) GRANT BRIEFING:

The Tampa Housing Authority has applied for a competitive \$30 million U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant called Choice Neighborhoods. This follows a 2011 application for which the THA was one of six finalists nationwide but was not ultimately awarded the grant.

- The THA has entered into a Commitment Partnership Agreement with the City of Tampa, Hillsborough County Public Schools (HCPS), and CPDG2 to implement the grant over a 5-year period once awarded;
- The 2012 grant request has been broadened in a number of ways:
  - The 2012 request is for a neighborhood much broader than the Encore development. The 2012 application covers all of the Central Park CRA and Ybor City CRA, a neighborhood 1.5 miles long and 0.75 miles wide. Benefits of the grant will spread throughout the neighborhood with only 50% of the grant request being targeted exclusively to the Encore property;
  - A number of major neighborhood community stakeholders including GTE Federal Credit Union, the Ybor City Development Corporation, Hillsborough Community College, Hillsborough County Public Schools, and Tampa Park Apartments all participated in the grant application this year in very meaningful ways;
  - The 2012 Choice Neighborhoods Grant request places particular emphasis on enhancing community facilities and services aimed at former residents of Central Park Village, current residents of Tampa Park Apartments, new residents of Encore, and families from the entire Central Park/Ybor community to become more self-sufficient, upwardly mobile, and positioned to take advantage of the opportunities available to them throughout the Tampa community; and,
  - The local commitment and emphasis on services and community facilities has been nothing short of extraordinary for the 2012 Choice Neighborhoods Grant. For every federal dollar for social or community services, local entities will provide \$3.30; for every federal dollar for neighborhood improvements, local entities will provide \$4.00; and, for every federal dollar targeted to housing improvements, local partners will provide \$5.90.
- A series of innovative and important local commitments include the following:
  - GTE Federal Credit Union Land for the development of a community job training center on donated land adjacent to the GTEFCU's headquarters, to serve the community and training needs of local residents and businesses. Graduates of programs will be given 1<sup>st</sup> priority interviews for jobs within companies which sponsor training programs at the center;
  - Hillsborough Community College 5-years commitment for job training and adult education of area residents within the GTE Federal Credit Union sponsored Job Training Center;
  - University of South Florida in conjunction with Hillsborough County Public Schools Development and on-going management of an urban farm for education, provision of fresh foods to the local community and the provision of produce for local restaurants and grocers committed to sustainable practices;
  - Tampa Family Health Centers Staffing and management of a wellness center and medical clinic within the Encore development with the aim of providing a medical home to low income families who lack consistent physician care or otherwise utilize the emergency room for routine health services;
  - Hillsborough County Public Schools- The staffing and management of an Early Head Start/Head Start facility at Encore for early childhood education. HCPS is the most successful provider of Head Start services in Hillsborough County. In 2011, 82 percent of children participating in Head Start programs managed by HCPS entered Kindergarten school ready;
  - MoreHealth, REACHUP and Success4Kids the provision of programs aimed at child health care and health awareness; and,
  - A series of other engaged partners including the Boys and Girls Club, St Peter Claver School, Tampa Bay Workforce Alliance, Tampa Bay Crisis Center, WeCare, Tampa Park Apartments, Home Depot, STC Partners, among others.