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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**MADISON PARK DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ANNOUNCES  
2014 RALPH D. SMITH COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP  
AND THE DANETTE JONES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**ROXBURY, MA.** Madison Park Development Corporation (MPDC), a community-based, non-profit organization focused on developing affordable housing for low and moderate income residents, is pleased to announce a call for applications for the 2014 Ralph D. Smith Community Scholarship and The Danette Jones Scholarship.

The eligibility criteria to be considered for the Madison Park Development Scholarship program are as follows: a resident of the Greater Madison Park community as defined by the boundaries of Lower Roxbury which include and are limited to residences in the 02119, 02120, and 02121 zip code areas; enrolled full-time as a high school senior, progressing toward graduation in Spring/Summer 2014 with plans to enter college no later than the fall following graduation; a strong commitment to pursuing a bachelor's or associate's degree program; and present involvement in community service and a strong commitment to continue community service throughout college.

The Ralph D. Smith Community Service Scholarship awards up to \$5,000 per year for four years. The scholarship is named after the first executive director of Madison Park Development Corporation. The Danette Jones Scholarship fund awards up to \$1,000 on a one-time basis. The scholarship is named after MPDC's second executive director, who served from 1988 to 1998. The deadline for submitting an application is June 1, 2014. Scholarship winners will be notified by July 15, 2014. Applications are available at [www.madison-park.org](http://www.madison-park.org).

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**About Madison Park Development Corporation**

Madison Park Development Corporation (MPDC) was founded in 1966 when a group of community activists said no to the threatened destruction of their neighborhood. Over the past 46 years, MPDC has become a champion in revitalizing Lower Roxbury and saying yes to resident-led development and community empowerment. MPDC's mission is to create quality, mixed-income housing, and to promote the renaissance of Dudley Square as a thriving neighborhood business district, recognized as a center of commerce and culture.

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