



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

### **ORCHARD GARDENS ESTATES TO HOST “VILLAGE IN PROGRESS” COMMUNITY BRUNCH TO KICK OFF ANTI-VIOLENCE CAMPAIGN**

**ROXBURY, MA.** In response to recent shooting incidents in the Orchard Gardens Estates community, residents and stakeholders of Orchard Gardens will host a community brunch to kick off the anti-violence campaign, *Village in Progress*, on Saturday, March 15, 2014 from 11:00am - 2:00pm. The event will take place at the Orchard Gardens Boys and Girls Club located at 2 Dearborn Street in Roxbury.

The Village in Progress campaign is a response by those invested in the community to continue the commitment to make violence an unacceptable action.

Madison Park Development Corporation’s Vice President of Programs, Yun-Ju Choi, praised the campaign saying, “The goal of our Village in Progress campaign is to ignite action in the community and empower our residents to identify solutions to rebuild their village.”

During the event, community-based organizations will come together to highlight work that has been done over the past few years to help make Orchard Gardens a safer community for residents, as well as develop strategies that residents, stakeholders, law enforcement officials, and political figures can implement to address concerns around public safety. Participants will also have an opportunity to get creative by entering a competition to design a logo for the Village in Progress anti-violence campaign.

For additional information, please contact VIP Coordinator, Stanley Dominique, at 617-849-6236 or [sdominique@madison-park.org](mailto:sdominique@madison-park.org).

## **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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