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**Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation Hosts
3rd Annual Neighborhood Block Party**

Tenderloin Harvest Festival will feature free food and fun for all ages in the Tenderloin.

SAN FRANCISCO, CA... On Saturday, October 15, 2011 Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation (TNDC) will host the third annual neighborhood block party at Boeddeker Park in the Tenderloin. The theme this year "Tenderloin Harvest Festival" will celebrate the culturally diverse and rich food traditions celebrated throughout the Tenderloin neighborhood.

This year's event will bring people of all ages and backgrounds together to raise awareness about nutrition and neighborhood food security. Information will be provided by partnering organizations such as Leah's Pantry, the Feeling Good Project of the SF Dept of Public Health, and UCSF School of Pharmacy.

Participants will be treated to DJ music, live entertainment by local community members, as well as activities for kids and families including a bounce house, pie-eating contest, face painting and cooking demonstrations. Food will be provided by TNDC and Glide. The event is free and open to the community.

About the TNDC Neighborhood Block Party

For the past three years, TNDC has hosted a neighborhood block party in the Tenderloin to promote community building and resident empowerment. In 2008 and 2010, the block parties focused on voter registration and the US Census. More than 1,000 residents participate each year.

Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation

Since 1981, TNDC's mission has been to provide safe, affordable housing with support services to low-income people in the Tenderloin community and to be a leader in making the neighborhood a better place to live. With 30 buildings in several San Francisco neighborhoods, TNDC provides homes and support services to over 3,000 low-income seniors, families, people with disabilities, emancipated youth and formerly homeless individuals. Support services include 19 on-site social

workers, the free TNDC Tenderloin After-School Program, and a Community Organizing program to encourage residents to get involved in making positive change in their neighborhoods. For more information visit www.tndc.org.

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Calendar Editors, Please note:

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WHAT: TNDC 3rd Annual Block Party: Tenderloin Harvest Festival

WHEN: Saturday, October 15, 2011 from 11:30am to 3:00pm

WHERE: Boeddeker Park (corner of Eddy and Jones Streets) in San Francisco

WHO: Nutrition Information provided by UCSF School of Pharmacy; Leah's Pantry; Heart of the City Farmers' Market, among others.

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