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Tenderloin Residents Plan to Harvest Food for Low-Income Neighbors during NeighborWorks Week® 2012

San Francisco, CA—TNDC staff, volunteers and community members will participate in a Harvest Day on Wednesday, June 6, 2012 to help weed, shape garden beds, water plants, and harvest food as part of a week-long celebration of neighborhood revitalization activities nationally recognized as NeighborWorks® Week. Members of the community are welcome to attend.

The food harvested from this Harvest Day will be distributed to low-income families and individuals in the Tenderloin. The Tenderloin is one of the only neighborhoods in San Francisco without a full-service grocery store, which makes accessing fresh, healthy and affordable food close to home nearly impossible.

“Community involvement activities are a vital piece of neighborhood development and revitalization. The Tenderloin People’s Garden is one component of TNDC’s Food Justice Campaign to address food security and hunger in our community. Increased community involvement and support will allow us to engage more residents in urban agriculture and realize our goal to bring fresh vegetables to low-income residents in the Tenderloin,” said Lorenzo Listana, TNDC Community Organizer.

TNDC will celebrate NeighborWorks® Week from June 2-9, 2012, by hosting the following event:

Tenderloin People’s Garden Harvest Day

Wednesday, June 6, 2012

10:00am – 12:00pm

Located at the corner of McAllister & Larkin Streets in San Francisco

During NeighborWorks® Week, TNDC and other NeighborWorks® organizations across the country will mobilize tens of thousands of business people, residents and government officials in a week of neighborhood change and awareness. They will rehab and repair homes, paint and landscape properties, conduct neighborhood tours, recognize successful partnerships and host a number of events that educate, train and inform. In 2011, more than 4,700 families benefited from the week’s activities nationwide.

TNDC is part of the national NeighborWorks® network, an affiliation of more than 230 nonprofit organizations that increase homeownership, produce affordable housing and revitalize neighborhoods in more than 4,400 communities across the nation. In 2010, the NeighborWorks® network generated more than \$4.2 billion in total direct investment and helped more than 272,474 low- to moderate-income families purchase, improve and maintain their homes. The NeighborWorks® network was founded and is supported by NeighborWorks® America, which strengthens the network through training, technical assistance and funding.



Media are welcome to attend any of our NeighborWorks® Week activities. Please contact Cynthia Peterson to arrange for a tour of our neighborhoods and explanation of our services prior to the event.

For more information about the garden visit www.tndc.org/garden.

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 25 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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