FL – PALM BEACH COUNTY -- NEW AFFORDABLE SOUTH BAY VILLAS NOW AVAILABLE

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The Palm Beach County Housing Authority (PBCHA) is pleased to announce the coming of the New South Bay Villas, consisting of 131 units of safe and affordable housing in South Bay, Florida. On September 24, PBCHA and Palm Beach County commemorated the start of Phase 1 (16 units) of the overall development.

The New South Bay Villas will combine two PBCHA-owned properties into "one" newly renovated community (South Bay Villas and Marshall Heights). South Bay Villas was built in 1987 and is comprised of 65 apartments. Marshall Heights Apartments was built in 1975 and is a townhome-style community offering 66 family units. Combined, the New South Bay Villas will offer 131 units of decent, safe and affordable housing. This project will play a major role in providing quality homes for low-to-moderate income families and will serve as the anchor for family success regarding education, careers and family values.

The units at South Bay Villas are in need of significant work to repair and remodel them to current standards. PBCHA is seeking approval from HUD to demolish Marshall Heights to make way for new construction, due to ongoing repair costs, physical obsolescence, and structural issues.

"Palm Beach County Housing Authority provides decent, safe and affordable housing to low and moderate-income families, elderly and disabled individuals. Our Resident Services Department provides assistance to individuals and families who strive for self-sufficiency and/ or independent living. PBCHA's commitment is to become the leading housing agency in Palm Beach County while improving the quality of life of residents and participants through key partnerships with stakeholders that share the same vision," said Board Chair Marcia Hayden, in a brief statement.

At the groundbreaking ceremony, brief remarks were made by PBCHA Board Chair Marcia Hayden, and Housing and Community Development officials from the Palm Beach County Department of Economic Sustainability. The Phase 1 General Contractor (Javin Walker, President of 2SBW) and Phase 2 Developer (Joe Glucksman, President of McCurdy Senior Housing) were also introduced and acknowledged. Local dignitaries and dedicated members of the community attend the festivities as well.

"The City of South Bay is delighted to partner with Palm Beach County Housing Authority with it's project to provide 131 units of safe and affordable housing for the City of South Bay residents. The time has come to ensure our residents the quality of life we all need and desire. This project brings a beacon of hope and a catalyst for change in our community" said Shanique Scott, Mayor, City of South Bay.

Since 1969, PBCHA has been responsible for the administration, maintenance, and management of its Housing Choice Voucher Program, Affordable Housing Apartment Units, and Public Housing.

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