

## HOUSING AUTHORITY OF DEKALB COUNTY CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING OF ASHFORD PARKSIDE SENIOR RESIDENCES

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**DeKalb County, GA.** - The Housing Authority of DeKalb County proudly celebrated the Grand Opening of its newest affordable development, Ashford Parkside, on January 25, 2008.

A mixed-income, mixed-finance redevelopment property designed for independent seniors, homes are reserved for individuals that are at least 62 years old. The property encompasses 8.7 acres of a 58 acre site that was the former location of the Johnson Ferry East public housing project which was constructed in 1948.

Ashford Parkside is a 9% tax credit property. Located within the four-story apartment complex are 30 ACC, 93 Project Based, 11 LIHTC and 17 market units for a total of 151 units. Two of the units are manager's units and are adaptive reuse.

There are four different floor plans of two bedroom, one bath and two bedroom, 2 bath apartments ranging in size from 688 to 1079 square feet. Unit features include being fully handicapped accessible and equipped, 9' ceilings, emergency notification systems, showers with seats in most units, fully equipped kitchens with pantries, walk-in closets and customizable "package shelf" at front doors.

Community features include a beauty salon, furnished fitness center, community rooms with warming kitchen, a movie theater, library, arts and crafts room, central storage areas, gardens, grilling/picnic areas, shuffleboard, covered drop-off areas and a landscaped courtyard.

Ashford Parkside is the first of six phases of redevelopment planned on the Authority-owned site. When the next five phases are complete in 2010, the development will provide 816 residential units in apartments and houses, and 70,000 square feet of retail space.

















