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U.S. Congressman

Nick Rahall

WORKING FOR WEST VIRGINIANS

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RAHALL ANNOUNCES MORE FUNDING FROM HUD

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- CONGRESSMAN NICK J. RAHALL, II (D-WV) ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) HAS AWARDED YET ANOTHER GRANT TO THE HUNTINGTON HOUSING AUTHORITY, THIS ONE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.12 MILLION. THE GRANT WAS AWARDED AS A PART OF THE LOW RENT PUBLIC HOUSING GRANT PROGRAM, AND WILL GO TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWENTY NEW THREE-BEDROOM HOMES FOR LOW-INCOME FAMILIES.

"THIS AWARD WILL GO TO PROVIDING TWENTY FAMILIES WITH NEW HOMES, SO THAT THEY WILL HAVE A DECENT ENVIRONMENT COME THIS WINTER," SAID RAHALL. "ONE OF THE THINGS THAT PEOPLE DO NOT REALIZE ABOUT THE HOMELESSNESS PROBLEM IN WEST VIRGINIA IS THAT MANY OF THE HOMELESS HAVE JOBS AND FAMILIES. THEY ARE NOT JUST DRIFTERS WHO HAVE NO SOURCE OF INCOME. IT IS IN FACT THAT THEY SIMPLY CANNOT AFFORD TO SUPPORT THEIR FAMILY AND PROVIDE THEM WITH A HOME. CONSTRUCTION OF NEW HOMES AT LOW RENT ENABLES THESE FAMILIES TO HAVE A PLACE WHERE THE FAMILY STRUCTURE CAN THRIVE, AND WHERE TIMES OF THANKS AND HAPPINESS, LIKE CHRISTMAS, CAN BE CELEBRATED."

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