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**DHCD RELEASES SIX SOLICITATIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF 36
BLIGHTED PROPERTIES AND VACANT LOTS IN WARDS 6 AND 8**

These solicitations aim to promote vibrant, walkable, mixed-use and mixed-income neighborhoods and eliminate blight in underserved communities in the District.

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WASHINGTON, DC – The DC Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) released six Solicitations for Offers (SFOs) for 36 blighted properties and vacant lots throughout Wards 6 and 8. DHCD issued these solicitations through its Property Acquisition and Disposition Division (PADD) that’s focused on promoting vibrant, walkable, mixed-use and mixed-income neighborhoods and eliminating blight in underserved communities.

“This is our second batch of properties in less than six months. I believe this shows our commitment and dedication to the elimination of blighted properties and developing vacant lots throughout the District, particularly in two of the city’s most underserved areas, Wards 6 and 8,” said Michael P. Kelly, DHCD Director. “While this brings me great pride, I am aware that we have a long way to go. With our comprehensive disposition strategy in place, we can keep the solicitations coming, so that we continue to provide quality, affordable housing opportunities for the residents of the District.”

The 36 District owned properties and lots are located in Wards 6 and 8, consisting of a building and 35 vacant lots. The ward-by-ward breakdown includes:

SFO 7	Ward 6	Kramer St NE	17 Vacant lots
SFO 8	Ward 8	Skyland Terrace, SE	7 Vacant lots
SFO 9	Ward 8	High Street, SE	Vacant lot
SFO 10	Ward 8	West St SE	5 Vacant lots
SFO 10	Ward 8	Morris Road, SE	Vacant lot
SFO 11	Ward 8	Forrester Street, SW	3 Vacant lots
SFO 11	Ward 8	6th St SE	BLDG
SFO 12	Ward 8	13th Street, SE	Vacant lot

The SFO application materials are currently available on the DHCD website (www.dhcd.dc.gov) and also in CD format at the DHCD Housing Resource Center, located at 1800 Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave. SE, Washington, D.C., 20020. A Pre-Bid meeting will be held at DHCD’s Housing Resource Center on December 3, 2014, for SFOs 7-9 and Wednesday, December 10, 2014, for SFOs 10-12. The deadline for submitting proposal applications is 4 p.m. EST on Thursday, February 19, 2015, for SFOs 7-9 and Wednesday, March 4, 2015, for SFOs 10-12.

Media seeking interviews with the DHCD Director Kelly or spokesperson should coordinate with the above media contact as soon as possible.

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The mission of the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) is to create and preserve opportunities for affordable housing and economic development and to revitalize underserved communities in the District of Columbia.