Manteca Welcomes Affordable Senior Housing with
Grand Opening of Eden Housing’s Almond Court
Monday April 6, 12:00 p.m.

U.S. Congressman Jerry McNerney to Speak at Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony

Manteca, CA- With a goal of providing more affordable, high quality housing options for low income senior citizens in the Central Valley, non-profit Eden Housing has announced the Monday, April 6, 12:00 p.m. grand opening of Almond Court, an $8,700,000 40-unit apartment complex for independent-living senior residents in Manteca, CA. The development is located at 2030 North Union Road.

The ceremonial ribbon-cutting at Almond Court will be attended by U.S. Congressman Jerry McNerney; Manteca Mayor Willie Weatherford; San Joaquin County Supervisor Steve Bestolarides; Keith Land, Farmers & Merchants Bank and Eden Housing Executive Director Linda Mandolini. Representatives of Assemblymember Bill Berryhill and Senator Lois Wolk are also expected, along with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

“I’m glad to join with the City of Manteca to celebrate the opening of Eden Housing’s Almond Court apartments for seniors,” said Congressman McNerney. “Our area has been particularly hard hit by the tough economy and housing crisis, and many senior citizens are struggling to make ends meet. It’s good to know that with the opening of the Almond Court apartments our community’s seniors will now have greater access to affordable housing.”

“Affordable housing is a critical, ongoing issue throughout the Central Valley which has been deeply affected by the nation’s housing crisis,” said, Eden Housing Executive Director Linda Mandolini. “Our public-private partnership with Manteca and the city’s Redevelopment Agency represents a viable solution to providing dignified living choices for senior citizens. We are looking forward to expanding our efforts throughout the Central Valley to deliver affordable housing communities for lower income families, seniors and persons with disabilities.”

The Almond Court project consists of five residential buildings arranged around a central courtyard, housing 40 560-square foot, one-bedroom units. In early March, tenants began moving into Almond Court apartment homes, which also feature living rooms, kitchens, dining areas and private porches.
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A central community building houses a multi-purpose room, outdoor patio area, laundry facility, restrooms and on-site management offices. Almond Court’s outdoor space includes a bocce ball court, community gardens with raised vegetable planting areas, a potting table and comfortable landscaped seating areas under redwood trees. A pedestrian walkway and trellis connects Almond Court with the adjacent Almond Terrace Senior Apartments, completed by Eden Housing in 2004 and now home to nearly 80 seniors.

Almond Court was designed and planned by the Sacramento-based architectural firm of Mogavero Notestine Associates. The project’s general contractor was Brown Construction, Inc of West Sacramento.

Almond Court is ideally located across the street from a major shopping center anchored by a Raley’s Supermarket. A new bus shelter is expected to be built in the near future adjacent to Almond Court on North Union Road, on the North/South (Red) line, connecting with the San Joaquin Regional Transit District #91 Hopper bus. This transit network also serves neighboring communities. The Manteca Senior Center is less than 2 miles away.

“Despite the challenges facing our nation’s banks, lending institutions and global financial markets, Eden Housing continues to develop and maintain very productive investor relationships,” continued Eden Housing’s Mandolini. “We want to express our gratitude to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, San Joaquin HOME Fund, the Federal Home Loan Bank and Farmers & Merchants Bank. The success of Almond Court reflects that community and civic partnerships are equally as important. Cities are under increasing pressure to offer affordable housing. As a result, many homebuilders consider our organization to be a key resource when working with municipal planners to meet local requirements for affordable housing.”

About Eden Housing
In its 40 years of service throughout Northern California, non-profit Eden Housing, Inc has provided a roof for over 58,000 people. Hayward-based Eden Housing is the long-term owner-operator of its developments, and is committed to preserving and maintaining its buildings as community assets and supporting residents with a range of services. Since the organization’s beginnings in 1968, Eden Housing has developed more than 5,000 housing units and more than 44,500 square feet of adjoining commercial / retail space in 70 properties. For more information about Almond Court or other affordable housing opportunities through Eden Housing, visit www.edenhousing.org.