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## **Mayor Heather Fargo and Councilmember Kevin McCarty kick-off an expansion project that will transform southeast Sacramento: Saturday**

**Sacramento, California, April 11, 2008**— The media is invited to attend an important groundbreaking ceremony that kicks-off the much anticipated expansion of George Sim Community Center. The George Sim Community Center is a vital resource for the southeast Sacramento community. Its expansion is designed to meet the community's current and future needs. In celebration of this important expansion project, Assemblymember Dave Jones, Mayor Heather Fargo, and Councilmember Kevin McCarty will take part in a groundbreaking ceremony on **Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.**

“The residents of southeast Sacramento requested a facility they could be proud of. We have responded with a state-of-the-art facility that will nurture the children who walk through its doors, inspire youth who take part in its programs, and comfort older adults who seek its services. I look forward to the positive impacts this impressive facility will have on southeast Sacramento and the entire City of Sacramento,” said Councilmember McCarty.

The George Sim Community Center has an impressive history of service that goes back decades. In recent years, the center's lack of adequate amenities and space have limited its ability to meet the community's growing needs. These limitations will be addressed with a 10,000 sq. ft. expansion, rehabilitation of the previous center space, and the addition of a gymnasium, commercial kitchen, and visitor drop-off area.

The George Sim Community Center expansion project is jointly funded by the City of Sacramento, the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA), and the Army Depot Redevelopment Advisory Committee (ADRAC).

### **Details**

**Event:** George Sim Community Center Expansion Project Groundbreaking  
**Significance:** The George Sim Community Center expansion will result in a state-of-the-art center that meets the community's current and future needs.  
**Guests:** **Assemblymember Dave Jones; Mayor Fargo; Councilmember McCarty; Representatives from Senator Darrell Steinberg's Office; Lisa Bates, SHRA; Timothy S. Lien (ADRAC); and Jermain Gill, Avondale/Glen Elder Neighborhood Association**  
**Date:** Saturday, April 12th  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. (10:30 a.m. Groundbreaking Ceremony)  
**Location:** George Sim Community Center – 6207 Logan Street

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