

## **FOREST CITY RATNER COMPANIES SERVES THANKSGIVING DINNER TO THOSE IN NEED**

*Former Nets Stars Albert King and Darryl Dawkins Assist in the Holiday Food  
Distribution;  
FCRC Donates Over \$15,000 to Help with Holiday*

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(Brooklyn, NY) November 16, 2007 - Former Nets basketball stars Albert King and Darryl Dawkins joined volunteers from Forest City Ratner Companies (FCRC), U.S. Representative Edolphus Towns, Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz and the Brooklyn community today to serve a special Thanksgiving dinner to those in need at the Union Baptist Church in Bedford-Stuyvesant, Brooklyn.

“Thanksgiving is a wonderful time for people to come together and celebrate, but it is also an important time to remember those less fortunate,” said Bruce Ratner, Chairman and CEO of FCRC. “We are honored to be a part of today’s festivities and to help members of the Brooklyn community celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday.”

The dinner is being provided by FCRC and the event is being coordinated by U.S. Representative Edolphus Towns (10th Congressional District of Brooklyn), the Union Baptist Church, and Rev. Melony Samuels, director of the Bed-Stuy Campaign Against Hunger and pastor at the Full Gospel Tabernacle of Faith Church.

“We are very pleased to be joined by FCRC and the Nets to help celebrate Thanksgiving with a few hundred members of our community,” said U.S. Representative Edolphus Towns. “We remind everyone that the holiday season is one of giving and not receiving, and we encourage everyone to do what they can to help their neighbor and those in need.”

"Here in Brooklyn, we celebrate Thanksgiving with many unique and delicious traditions, and I'm thrilled to join FCRC, the soon-to-be Brooklyn Nets, Congressman Towns and the Bed-Stuy community in the winningest holiday tradition there is — bringing some good cheer to Brooklynites in need," said Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz.

In total, Forest City Ratner donated over \$15,000 to the two churches to help sustain them through the holiday season.

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