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Andy Street, Grisham Community Youth Ambassadors Graduation

Friday, March 13, 2009 at 6:00 pm
Community Grace Brethren Church, 5885 Downey Ave.

The Andy Street Multi Family Improvement District, the City of Long Beach and The Long Beach Housing Development Company are congratulating the second class of Andy Street Youth Ambassadors and the first class of Grisham Youth Ambassadors on their graduation from the six-week youth leadership and empowerment program on Friday, March 13, 2009 at 6:00 pm at the Community Grace Brethren Church, 5885 Downey Ave.

Vice Mayor Val Lerch, 9th District, and Councilwoman Rae Gabelich, 8th District, are scheduled to attend. The keynote speaker will be Police Chief Anthony Batts.

The first class of Andy Street Youth Ambassador Program was launched in the summer of 2008 in an effort to organize and empower the youth on Andy Street. The key role of the Youth Ambassador is to evolve into a neighborhood leader that models the way for other youth in the neighborhood. Every Youth Ambassador is an integral component to keeping the block actively involved in crime prevention efforts, youth activities, work alongside other youth groups, as well as assist in carrying out neighborhood events and meetings.

The Youth Ambassadors meet on a weekly basis to discuss ways of improving and enhancing their neighborhood. They also partake in leadership classes, community organizing sessions, as well as self-improvement courses.