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**WEST\*GROUP SUPPORTS MIXED-INCOME SENIOR HOUSING PROJECT**

**CONTRIBUTION WILL HELP COMPLETE MCLEAN FACILITY**

MCLEAN, VA - In an effort to help complete a multi-year capital campaign, WEST\*GROUP Chairman and CEO, Jerry Halpin, presented a check for \$80,000 to representatives of Chesterbrook Residences, Inc. (CRI) Jerry Hopkins, Jane Edmondson, Judy Seiff, Don DiLoreto along with Del. Jim Scott accepted the contribution on behalf of the organization.

Chesterbrook Residences is the first mixed-income assisted living facility in Northern Virginia. The facility will have 97 apartments, serving 109 seniors. Forty-nine (49) of the units will be available to residents receiving Section 8 housing vouchers with incomes below \$31,000. Another six units are reserved for seniors with incomes below \$39,000. Construction of the \$14.1 million project began in May 2006 and, despite many weather delays, is proceeding well. Doors are expected to open in July or August 2007. Over 50 people already have completed pre-applications.

The Virginia Housing and Development Authority and Fairfax County have provided nearly \$12.5 million in loans and grants to CRI, the owner of the home. The three sponsoring organizations --Immanuel and Lewinsville Presbyterian Churches and Temple Rodef Salom-- have embarked on the Final Mile Campaign to raise the remaining equity. To date, \$1,024,000 has been raised, primarily from members of the three congregations.

“Chesterbrook Residences is a fine example of how citizens and local congregations can work with State and local officials to address the critical need for affordable housing for seniors. This project will be a model for other communities and congregations in the region, “said Jerry Halpin.

Following the WEST\*GROUP contribution, Chesterbrook Residences needs to raise \$570,000 to complete the project. For more information on CRI, please visit [www.Chesterbrookres.org](http://www.Chesterbrookres.org) or call (703) 356-0655.