



## **Havenwoods Economic Development Corporation**

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### **Media Advisory**

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### **HAVENWOODS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION SUPPORTS MAYOR BARRETT ON JOB CORP INITIATIVE**

The Havenwoods Economic Development Corporation is supporting the Mayor's efforts to bring National Job Corp Program to Milwaukee. The development is currently being proposed for the Green Tree Redevelopment Site on N. 60<sup>th</sup> & Green Tree.

Projections for labor shortages over the next decade have businesses concerned about a diminishing skilled labor pool and how they will meet future employment needs. The primary mission of HEDC is to encourage economic development with workforce development as a key component to the growth of businesses in Havenwoods and the region. "Industry and light manufacturing is the economic engine in the community. In order for the manufacturing sector to remain competitive there must be a plan in place to help ensure a skilled labor force." Said Stephanie Harling, Executive Director of Havenwoods Economic Development Corporation.

Neighbors near the site have expressed opposition to the project due to concerns about safety, development & design quality, facility operations and increased traffic. HEDC appreciates and shares these concerns. For this reason HEDC is committed to monitoring this development during the design phase, construction, operations and curriculum development. If the Job Corp is approved HEDC will be assisting residents in managing any issues that arise as a result of the Job Corp.