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**Future Foundation Executive Director To Speak At Compassion Capital Fund
National Non-Profit Leadership Conference**

Future Foundation's Executive Director, Qaadirah Abdur-Rahim, will be the keynote speaker at the 2009 Compassion Capital Fund (CCF) Leadership National Conference in Arlington, Virginia on Jan. 15.

The CCF provides grant funding for social services programs in low-income communities across the nation. It is part of President George Bush's Faith-Based and Community Initiatives and provided nearly \$50 million in funding to faith-based and community organizations in 2008.

Abdur-Rahim's address is entitled, "Living Out Compassion: Why We Do What We Do." Her speech will focus on the mission and impact of the Future Foundation, a youth development organization in East Point.

Future Foundation was founded in 2001 by Atlanta native and former Atlanta Hawks player Shareef Abdur-Rahim. It provides free academic, cultural, social and recreational programs to Metro Atlanta children ages 9-18, and has positively impacted the lives of more than 4,000 children.

"It is an honor to tell others about what we do at Future Foundation," said Ms. Abdur-Rahim, who will also speak about youth engagement during the CCF conference.

Created in 2002, the CCF helps faith-based and community organizations increase their effectiveness. It administers grants for Targeted Capacity-Building, Communities Empowering Youth and Demonstration programs.

Ms. Abdur-Rahim's speech follows a presentation at the White House in December in which the Future Foundation was one of eight non-profits honored for capacity-building by the White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives.

ABOUT QAADIRAH ABDUR-RAHIM

Ms. Abdur-Rahim has more than 10 years of experience in youth development, non-profit management and capacity-building. Since taking the helm as Future Foundation's executive director in 2005, Ms. Abdur-Rahim has expanded the organization from one program serving a dozen children to nine programs impacting more than 4,000 children.

In addition to her leadership at the Future Foundation, Ms. Abdur-Rahim has provided organizational development and tax-exempt status consulting to various non-profit organizations such as the Southwest Atlanta Youth (SWAY) Foundation and the East-West Cultural Exchange Foundation.

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