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**MEDIA ALERT**

**Tampa Housing Authority/Tampa Police Athletic League  
Showcases New Boxing Program  
For At-Risk Youth at Powerhouse Gym**

**WHAT:** Dozens of youth are set to display their boxing skills in the ring. The boys and girls, ages 8-17, will train with instructors and participate in drills, as they highlight the new program. This initiative was formed through a partnership between Tampa Housing Authority (THA), City of Tampa's Police Athletic League (PAL) and Powerhouse Gym. Apart from the free boxing and training classes, each student receives educational support, mentorship, transportation and healthy food options. The league runs throughout the year, with 10-week training intervals.

**WHEN:** Monday, February 26, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Powerhouse Gym, 3251 W. Hillsborough Avenue, Tampa, FL 33614

**WHY:** The THA/PAL Youth Boxing Program provides at-risk, low-income youth an opportunity to participate in a sport many would not otherwise be able to. In addition, through education and athletics, this new league empowers Tampa students to be positive and productive members of society.

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**About Tampa Housing Authority**

*The Housing Authority of the City of Tampa promotes the development and professional management of a variety of affordable housing opportunities, facilities and supportive services that nurture neighborhoods, provide economic development and self-sufficiency activities for residents while assuring equal access to safe, quality housing for low and moderate-income families throughout the community.*