



MEDIA ALERT **August 11, 2020**

Tempo at *ENCORE!* Celebrates Free High-Speed Internet Installation

WHAT: Hundreds of families at Tempo at *ENCORE!* are receiving access to free high-speed internet, thanks to a generous donation from Tampa-based PBX-Change.

Representatives from Central Park Development Corporation (CPDC), PBX-Change, and Mayor Jane Castor will celebrate PBX-Change's recent installation of all necessary equipment. This includes a primary internet feed to the building and to each of the 203 units, as well as multiple outdoor wireless access points to cover the common areas. Siklu, a primary vendor to PBX-Change, donated the mmWave radios needed to bring the high-speed internet to the building and PBX-Change covered the cost of the remaining equipment, technology, and installation, a donation totaling approximately \$30,000.

At a time when so many people in the community are struggling financially, this partnership is helping residents in the mixed-income community have access to the internet at no cost.

CPDG is a public/private partnership between Banc of America Community Development Corporation (BACDC) and the Tampa Housing Authority (THA), is the *ENCORE!* master developer.

WHEN: **Thursday, August 13, 2020**
8:45 – 10 a.m. (Event will begin promptly at 9 a.m.)

WHERE: **1102 Ray Charles Boulevard, Tampa, FL**

****Street parking is available along Ray Charles Blvd and Central Ave. Look for the yellow ribbons at the main event entrance located on Central Avenue, just around the corner heading West and to your right from Ray Charles Blvd.**

VISUALS: In addition to the brief celebration and ribbon-cutting, interviews with representatives from CPDC, PBX-Change and the Tampa Housing Authority will be available. Interviews with resident(s) using the new service are also available upon request.

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About Encore!

Strategically located in the heart of Tampa's downtown neighborhoods, *ENCORE!* is a vibrant, master planned development and a key element of the Center City's booming urban infill and real estate market. It is just 5 minutes in any direction to:

- ✓ the Central Business District with its 60,000+ workers, 30,000+ residents, the University of Tampa, and University of South Florida Medical School [just south of *ENCORE!*]
- ✓ the Ybor historic entertainment district and future home of the Tampa Bay Rays [or a national] baseball stadium [just east of *ENCORE!*]
- ✓ the \$3B Water Street development, including high-end residential towers and a 5-star Marriott Edition hotel in Channelside [just southeast of *ENCORE!*]
- ✓ Tampa Height's affluent Riverside neighborhoods and the fully restored Armature Works with innovative eateries, the Heights Public Market, and co-working space, [just northeast of *ENCORE!*]