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Tustin Legacy Receives National Award for Base Redevelopment Community of the Year

Tustin Legacy was awarded the 2008 Base Redevelopment Community of the Year Award on August 11, by the Association of Defense Communities (ADC). This award recognizes the overall efforts of a base redevelopment community and/or local redevelopment authority whose successful efforts to redevelop a former military installation is a model for closed base communities around the country.

After the 1,600-acre Marine Corps Air Station Tustin in Orange County, California, was slated for closure following the 1991 BRAC round, the city of Tustin, acting as the LRA, adopted a reuse plan calling for a balance of residential and commercial development, along with an emphasis on schools, recreation and other public uses. To carry out the plan, the city entered into four public-private partnerships; each required the developers to invest in public infrastructure and allows for profit participation by the city. The project's signature achievement is its dedication to affordable housing — 25 percent of dwelling units are devoted to workforce housing for very low, low and moderate-income residents.

Today, over 2,100 residential units have been built, 1 million square feet of retail space has been developed, \$410 million in capital improvements have been completed or are under way, and 2,055 permanent jobs have been created.

The Association of Defense Communities (ADC) is the nation's premier membership organization serving America's defense communities. With 1,200 members nationwide, ADC is the voice for communities and states with a significant military presence. ADC unites the diverse interests of communities, state governments, the private sector and the military on issues of base closure and realignment, community military partnerships, defense real estate, mission growth, mission sustainment, military privatization, and base redevelopment.

Congratulations to Tustin Legacy, the 2008 Base Redevelopment Community of the Year!