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Ms Christine Zeni  
Deputy Director of City-wide Programs  
New York City Housing Authority  
Department of Community Operations  
90 Church Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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Dear Ms. Zeni:

It is a pleasure to provide a letter of reference for FUTUREKIDS at NYCHA. They are particularly qualified to offer the youth at community centers like King Towers and others throughout the city, an outstanding After-School Computer Training Program. I base this recommendation on the direct experience I had in working with FUTUREKIDS when they were the provider for the initial pilot program and they were at our community center.

FUTUREKIDS provided an excellent technology training program that was not only age appropriate and interesting for our kids, but they did it in a manner that was both responsive to individual learning needs and motivating. While the kids were enthusiastically attending the program, the program was intrinsically building their self-confidence and motivating them to progress socially and academically. I also found that while it was comfortable to work with the FUTUREKIDS instructors and management team, I also learned a great deal in the process.

I am particularly pleased therefore to be able to enthusiastically recommend FUTUREKIDS as the provider for this ongoing initiative.

Sincerely,



Valerie Pyatt  
Community Center Director