



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
6/4/09

Contact: Clare Graff, NFL  
212/450-2435/clare.graff@nfl.com

Carl Francis, NFLPA  
202/756-9169/carl.francis@nflplayers.com

## **NFL YOUTH FOOTBALL FUND AWARDS \$550,000 IN GRANTS TO 150 CURRENT AND FORMER NFL PLAYERS AND COACHES FOR FREE YOUTH FOOTBALL CAMPS**

The NFL Youth Football Fund has awarded \$550,000 to 150 NFL players and coaches to support their free youth football camps, it was announced today.

The camps, run by current and former NFL players and coaches, will reach 35,000 young football players this summer. Players and coaches hosting free camps throughout the summer include **RAY RICE** (Ravens), **COACH SEAN PAYTON** (Saints), **BOB SANDERS** (Colts) and **JASON WITTEN** (Cowboys). A list of players and coaches receiving grants this year is below.

"As they prepare for the season, our players and coaches also recognize the importance giving back during the off-season," said NFL Commissioner **ROGER GOODELL**, who serves on the NFL Youth Football Fund board of directors. "Youth football camps are an excellent way to help young fans learn skills and stay active and fit."

The NFL has long supported players' philanthropic endeavors, and the NFL Youth Football Fund has awarded more than \$1.9 million in player and coach camp grants in recent years.

"Our players understand the importance of reaching out to young people who play the game of football," said NFLPA Executive Director **DEMAURICE SMITH**, who also serves on the NFL Youth Football Fund board of directors. "Football camps give our active players, retired players and coaches the opportunity to utilize the lessons they've learned from their own personal experiences to teach youth the fundamentals of our great game."

Established in 1998 by the NFL and the NFL Players Association, the NFL Youth Football Fund seeks to use football as a catalyst to promote positive youth development, support youth and high school football needs nationwide and also ensure the health of grassroots football in future generations. Through the YFF's youth football initiatives and support programs, youngsters are provided with opportunities to learn the game of football, get physically fit and stay involved in productive after-school activities with adult mentors

### **2009 NFL Youth Football Fund Player & Coach Camp Grant Recipients:**

<b><u>PLAYER</u></b>	<b><u>CAMP LOCATION AND START DATE</u></b>
Aleaga, Ink-RET	DUWAMISH, WA-6/19
Alexander, Lorenzo-WAS	OAKLAND, CA-6/20
Allen, Jake-GB	WAYNESBORO, MS-3/7
Allen, Jason-MIA	MUSCLE SHOALS, AL-6/6
Atogwe, Oshiomogho-STL	BRIDGETON, MO-5/16
Bell, Greg-RET	GAVIOTA, CA-3/28
Bloomgren, Mike-NYJ*	TALLAHASSEE, FL-7/6
Bowser, Charles-RET	PLYMOUTH, NC-6/26
Braggs, Stephen-RET	HUMBLE, TX-6/8

Brock, Peter-RET	BOSTON, MA-5/30
Brown, Chris-HOU	NAPERVILLE, IL-7/10
Brown, Tarell-SF	MESQUITE, TX-6/27
Bullitt, Melvin-IND	GARLAND, TX-7/18
Burtonm, Keenan-STL	LOUISVILLE, KY-7/4
Burton, Keenan-STL	LEXINGTON, KY-7/12
Bush, Reggie-NO	CARROLLTON, LA-5/17
Butler, James-STL	BAINBRIDGE, GA-5/30
Calhoun, Brian-(DET)	OAK CREEK, WI-6/6
Carey, Vernon-MIA	EL PORTAL, FL-5/16
Carter, Dale-RET	COVINGTON, GA-6/15
Chambers, Chris-SD	BEDFORD, OH-6/25
Clark, Danny-NYG	COUNTRY CLB HILLS, IL-7/1
Clowney, David-NYJ	DELRAY BEACH, FL-6/6
Cooley, Chris-WAS	FAIRFAX, VA-6/14
Copeland, Danny-RET	ROCKLEDGE, FL-7/10
Cotchery, Jerricho-NYJ	BIRMINGHAM, AL-6/20
Cramer, Casey-TEN	FRANKLIN, TN-5/29
Crowell, Angelo-TB	NORTH, NC-6/12
Dar Dar, Kirby-RET	SYRACUSE, NY-7/10
Darling, Devard-KC (2 camps)	NASSAU & FREEPORT, BAHAMAS-7/9
David, Jason-NO	COVINA, CA-6/27
Davis, Carey-PIT	FLOR, MO-6/13
Davis, Jason-CHI	CHICAGO, IL-6/20
Davis, Thomas-CAR	CHARLOTTE, NC-5/16
Dellenbach, Jeff-RET	CORAL SPRINGS, FL-6/27
Draft, Chris-STL	SAINT LOUIS, MO-5/9
Edwards, Dwan-BAL	BILLINGS, MT-6/26
Edwards, Herm-RET	MONTEREY, CA-6/27
Evans, Demetric-SF	BLACKBURN, LA-6/30
Evans, Jahri-NO	PHILADELPHIA, PA-5/2
Florence, Drayton-BUF	OCALA, FL-6/12
Fowler, Eric-DET	ALLENDALE, MI-7/2
Frazier, Andre-PIT	CINCINNATI, OH-7/14
Freeney, Dwight-IND	EAGLE CREEK, IN-6/3
Gaither, Omar-PHI	CHARLOTTE, NC-4/18
Garcon, Pierre-IND	ROYAL PALM BEACH, FL-2/28
Garrett, Jason-DAL*	PRINCETON, NJ-6/19
Gilbert, Tony-ATL	NORCROSS, GA-4/25
Golston, Kedric-WAS	CLIFTON, VA-6/6
Gordon, Amon-CLE	SAN DIEGO, CA-6/27
Graham, Daniel-DEN	DENVER, CO-6.26
Gray, Jerry-WAS*	LUBBOCK, TX-7/10
Hall, Korey-GB	GLENNS FERRY, ID-7/8
Hall, Roy-IND	CLEVELAND, OH-6/12
Hansen, Phil-RET (3 camps)	DETROIT LAKES, MN-7/29; FARGO, ND-8/3; WAHPETON, ND-8/17
Harrell, James-RET	TAMPA, FL-6/20
Harris, Jr., Leroy-TEN	RALEIGH, NC-7/10
Harris, Kay Jay-NYG	TAMPA, FL-3/14
Hartsock, Benjamin-ATL	CHILLICOTHE, OH-6/6
Henderson, EJ-MIN	EDEN PRAIRIE, MN-5/15
Hester, Devin-CHI	SKOKIE, IL-7/12
Hills, Tony-PIT (2 camps)	PITTSBURGH, PA-6/20; HOUSTON, TX-7/7
Holt, Torry-JAX	GIBSONVILLE, NC-7/11
Hunter, William-RET	JAMESVILLE, NY-7/16

Idonije, Israel-CHI	BLUE ISLAND, IL-6/13
Jackson, Chad-DEN	BIRMINGHAM, AL-7/18
Jackson, Marlin-IND	INDIANAPOLIS, IN-6/13
Jackson, Roger-RET	MACON, GA-6/27
Jaworski, Ron-RET	STONE HARBOR, NJ-6/28
Jennings, Greg-GB	KALAMAZOO, MI-6/20
Johnson, Chris-TEN	HENDERSONVILLE, TN-6/10
Johnson, Josh-TB	OAKLAND, CA-7/11
Johnson, Spencer-BUF	GILBERTOWN, AL-6/17
Jones, Jacoby-HOU	NEW ORLEANS, LA-5/23
Jones, James-GB	SAN JOSE, CA-6/27
Jones, Terry-RET	TUSCALOOSA, AL-6/19
Jones, Travis-MIA*	MACON, GA-6/26
Kelly, Reginald-CIN	ABERDEEN, MS-6/27
Kelso, Mark-RET	LANCASTER, NY-7/6
Kitchens, Freddie-ARI*	ATTALLA, AL-6/20
Koenen, Michael-ATL (2 camps)	FLOWERY BRANCH, GA-3/21; FERNDALE, WA-6/27
Lincoln, Jeremy-RET	TOLEDO, OH-6/26
Londot, Todd-RET	UTICA, OH-5/16
Lutui, Deuce-ARI (2 camps)	GILBERT, AZ-7/15; FLAGSTAFF, AZ-7/31
Martin, Derrick-(BAL)	DENVER, CO-5/16
McCargo, John-BUF	VICTORIA, VA-6/23
McNeal, Don-RET (2 camps)	HIALEAH, FL-5/28 & 7/13
McNorton, Bruce-RET	DAYTONA BEACH, FL-6/18
Mickens, Ray-RET	EL PASO, TX-5/16
Mitchell, Brian-WAS	NEWPORT NEWS, VA-7/10
Moore, Mewelde-PIT	BATON ROUGE, LA-4/25
Mughelli, Ovie-ATL	CHARLESTON, SC-7/18
Murphy, Jason-TEN	BALTIMORE, MD-5/30
Navies, Hannibal-RET	BERKELEY, CA-5/15
Payton, Sean-NO*	METAIRIE, LA-6/19
Peterson, Adrian-MIN	NORMAN, OK-6/26
Peterson, Mike-ATL	JACKSONVILLE, FL-6/19
Peterson, Mike-ATL	GAINESVILLE, FL-6/27
Pierce, Antonio-NYG	COMPTON, CA-3/28
Pittman, David-RET	LUTCHER, LA-7/8
Plummer, Bruce-RET	BOGALUSA, LA-6/24
Pope, Leonard-ARI	AMERICUS, GA-6/13
Reid, Darrell-DEN	EAST FREEHOLD, NJ-6/27
Reynolds, Ed-RET	WAUGHTOWN, NC-7/6
Rhodes, Dominic-BUF (2 camps)	ABILENE, TX-3/28; BEN HUR, TX-3/29
Rice, Ray-BAL	NEW ROCHELLE, NY-6/20
Royal, Robert-CLE	NEW ORLEANS, LA-7/2
Rucker, Keith-RET (2 camps)	BLUE ASH, OH-5/23; CHICAGO, IL-6/13
Sanders, Bob-IND	EDINBORO, PA-6/13
Sendlein, Lyle-ARI	PHOENIX, AZ-6/24
Sims, Ernie-DET	TALLAHASSEE, FL-7/10
Smith, Steve-CAR	CHARLOTTE, NC-6/19
Smith, Brad-NYJ	YOUNGSTOWN, OH-7/11
St. Louis, Brad-CIN	HAMILTON, OH-6/15
Stinchcomb, Jon-NO	METAIRIE, LA-6/3
Stroud, Marcus-BUF	QUITMAN, GA-5/30
Suisham, Shaun-WAS	LEESBURG, VA-6/20
Taylor, Jason-MIA	FORT LAUDERDALE, FL-4/8

Teerlinck, John-IND*	CLEVELAND, OH-6/17
Thomas, Joey-MIA	BURIEN, WA-6/20
Thornton, David-TEN	GOLDSBORO, NC-6/27
Torrence, Leigh-NO	ATLANTA, GA-6/27
Tulloch, Stephen-TEN	CROSSINGS. FL-7/11
Turner; Nathaniel-RET	ASHBURN PARK, IL-6/6
Urban, Jerheme-ARI	VICTORIA, TX-6/13
Walker, Frank-BAL	TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, AL-7/7
Wells, Donald-RET	LOUISVILLE, KY-7/23
Williams, DeAngelo-CAR	MEMPHIS, TN-6/26
Williams, Madieu-MIN	COLLEGE PARK, MD-4/25
Wilson, George-BUF	AVONDALE, KY-6/16
Witten, Jason-DAL	ELIZABETHTON, TN-6/27
Woodley, LaMarr-PIT	SAGINAW, MI-6/6
Young, Brian-(NO)	EL PASO, TX-7/10
Young, Usama-NO	KETTERING, MD-6/27
Zendejas, Luis-RET	GUADALAJARA, MEXICO-6/23

If player is currently a free agent, most recent team is in parentheses.

\*denotes current NFL coaches receiving NFL Coach Camp Grants

# # #