



## **Roots to Home Project Hosts Inaugural Baseball Clinic Event Tomorrow**

*Founders Professional Baseball Players Ivan Johnson, Rece Hinds and Pro Friends Will Conduct Two Free Baseball Clinics November 15 at Gresham Park to Kickoff the Project and Empower Young Athletes On and Off the Field*

**Atlanta, GA – November 14, 2025** — The **Roots to Home Project**, a mission-driven baseball initiative founded by professional athletes **Ivan Johnson** and **Rece Hinds**, will host its inaugural **Roots to Home Baseball Clinics** tomorrow **Saturday, November 15, 2025**, at **Gresham Park** in Atlanta, Georgia.

The one-day event – **November 15 at Gresham Park** -- will feature two specialized sessions:

- **Date/Location:** Saturday, November 15, 2025; Gresham Park, DeKalb County Parks & Recreation
- **Physical Address:** 2466 Bouldercrest Road SE, Gresham Park, GA 30316
  - **Rising Stars Clinic (Ages 10–14):** 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
  - **Top Prospects Clinic (Ages 15–18):** 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Dedicated to giving back to the communities that raised them, Johnson and Hinds created Roots to Home to provide free, high-quality baseball instruction along with life skills coaching, mentorship, and college preparation for young athletes—particularly those from underserved areas. The program's goal is to equip participants with tools for success both on the field and beyond the diamond. Each clinic will include professional-level baseball training in hitting, fielding, base running, and baseball IQ, as well as mentorship and guidance on character development, teamwork, and preparation for higher levels of play. Other college and professional players planning to attend to help Ivan and Rece with the drills at the clinic include: Baron Radcliff, Reggie Pruitt, Makenzie Stills, Omari Daniel, Bernard Moon, Kyle Henley, Isiah Gilliam, Akil Baddoo, Termarr Johnson, Tervell Johnson, and Tervant Johnson.

The Roots to Home Project is made possible through the generous support of its presenting sponsors and community partners, including the **Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation**, **MLBPA Players Trust**, **Cincinnati Reds**, **Franklin Sports**, **Northside Hospital**, **Signature FD**, **Keilah Barikos Charity Fund**, **The Hand & Upper Extremity Center of Georgia – Dr. Lourie**, **Georgia Power**, **Adidas**, **Mizuno**, **Aces Baseball**, **Henri's Bakery and Deli**, **Prep Baseball Georgia**, **Atlanta Falcons**, **Atlanta Hawks**, **Chick-fil-A Glenwood Place | Chick-fil-A Ponce & Boulevard**, **Publix**, **DeKalb County Parks and Recreation**, **Niagara Water**, **Good Game Foundation**, and **Bruce Bolt**. The event is at capacity; more than 120 athletes will participate in tomorrow's clinics. These partners' commitments help ensure that every young athlete has access to opportunity, mentorship, and the life-changing lessons baseball can teach.

"The Players Trust is proud to support Ivan and Reece in launching their inaugural clinic," said Amy Hever, Executive Director of the Players Trust. "We are committed to empowering our athletes in any way they want to give back to communities that helped shape them. By combining baseball instruction with mentorship and life-success skills, Roots to Home is creating lifelong pathways for young student athletes to thrive on and off the field."

Parents are also invited to attend a special information session led by Becky Abernathy of Devine Baseball, titled "*Playing Baseball in College and Beyond*." This 30-minute session will cover essential topics such as scholarship and roster realities, academic priorities, the college recruiting process, and how young athletes can stand out to coaches. For more information on the project, please visit: [About | Roots to Home Youth Baseball](#)

### *About the Roots to Home Project*

Founded by professional baseball players Ivan Johnson and Rece Hinds, the Roots to Home Project connects professional athletes with youth in their communities through baseball. Its mission is to inspire and equip young people with the confidence, skills, and guidance to succeed in baseball, and in life off the field.

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