



*Stable Homes, Brighter Futures:*  
**CSH TAY Supportive Housing Symposium**  
Monday, April 7, 2014  
8:30 AM – 12:30 PM  
CCF Palevsky Center  
281 S. Figueroa St., Suite 100, CA 90012

**Agenda**

<b>ARRIVAL &amp; REFRESHMENTS</b>	<b>8:30 AM – 9:00 AM</b>
<b>WELCOME &amp; FRAMING</b>	<b>9:00 AM – 9:30 AM</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Molly Rysman, <i>Los Angeles Director</i>, CSH</li><li>▪ Maria Joyce, <i>SVP</i>, Bank of America Community Development Banking</li><li>▪ Aleah Guillory, <i>Supportive Housing Community Advocate</i></li></ul>	
<b>SMALL GROUP ACTIVITY</b>	<b>9:30 AM – 10:15 AM</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <i>Identifying Needs, Providing Services.</i> The goal of this activity is to engage participants in the process of identifying housing-based service interventions for a diverse population of homeless youth, using actual data from the evaluation.</li></ul>	
<b>EVALUATION DATA PRESENTATION</b>	<b>10:15 AM – 11:00 AM</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Giannina Felher-Cabral, <i>Research Associate</i>, Harder+Co. Community Research</li></ul>	
<b>BREAK</b>	<b>11:00 AM – 11:15 AM</b>
<b>SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROVIDER PANEL</b>	<b>11:15 AM – 12:00 PM</b>
Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Andrea Marchetti, <i>Executive Director</i>, Jovenes, Inc.</li><li>▪ Emily James, <i>Program Manager</i>, TAY Project 40, Step Up On Second</li><li>▪ Mark Wilson, <i>Executive Director</i>, Coalition for Responsible Community Development (CRCDD)</li><li>▪ Nina Franqui, <i>Enriched Services Director</i>, Women Organizing Resources, Knowledge, and Services (WORKS)</li><li>▪ Sam Joo, <i>Division Director</i>, Children and Family Services, Koreatown Youth and Community Center (KYCC)</li></ul>	
<b>CALL TO ACTION</b>	<b>12:00 PM – 12:15 PM</b>
<b>INVISIBLE TO INVINCIBLE FILM TRAILER</b>	<b>12:15 PM – 12:25 PM</b>
<b>THANK YOU &amp; CLOSING REMARKS</b>	<b>12:25 PM – 12:30 PM</b>

***Stable Homes, Brighter Futures***  
**Initiative Overview**

*Stable Homes, Brighter Futures* is a three-year initiative to support and learn more about transition age youth (TAY) in supportive housing. Transition age youth who are homeless and may be suffering from psychological and emotional trauma, face complex barriers to housing stability. Supportive housing provides the stability to allow TAY to heal from past trauma and focus on building skills and longer-term goals.

Supportive housing has been shown to be an effective model for chronically homeless adults. However, with as much as 50% of chronically homeless adults having experienced homelessness as TAY, the supportive housing model has been evolving to change the trajectory of homeless youth who are at the greatest risk of becoming the next generation of chronically homeless adults. *Stable Homes, Brighter Futures* is an effort to meaningfully support and learn about the supportive housing model for youth and young adults.

In August 2012, with the generous support of the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, The California Wellness Foundation, and the W.M. Keck Foundation, CSH provided grants to six organizations:

- Coalition for Responsible Community Development (CRCD)
- Jovenes, Inc.
- Little Tokyo Service Center (LTSC) Community Development Corporation (CDC)
- PATH Gramercy
- Step Up On Second
- Women Organizing Resources, Knowledge, and Services (WORKS)

Each lead grantee has service provider and property management partners to operate their TAY supportive housing apartments. Grantees and their partners participate in a TAY Learning Community to access training, technical assistance, workshops, and opportunities for case conferencing and problem-solving. Much has been learned in the first year, but the initiative has not been without its challenges. After the first year, PATH Gramercy decided they could no longer participate in the initiative. The table below provides a snapshot of the supportive housing models each grantee is operating for youth and young adults.

Harder+Company Community Research is the evaluator for the initiative, and spearheads the collection of quantitative and qualitative data efforts. In addition to understanding the characteristics, service needs, and outcomes of youth and young adults in supportive housing, the evaluation seeks to understand any organizational- and system-level impacts of the initiative.

Developer/Provider	Housing Model(s)	Total TAY units	TAY units in operation
<b>Coalition for Responsible Community Development (CRCD)</b>	Single-Site All TAY (with MH) Mixed Population Scattered Site	75	75
<b>Jovenes, Inc.</b>	Single-Site All TAY (with MH) Mixed Population Scattered Site, Shared Homes	39	25
<b>Little Tokyo Service Center KYCC/ PWC &amp; APCTC/ KIWA</b>	Mixed Population	24	14
<b>Step Up On Second My Friend’s Place</b>	Single-Site All TAY (with MH) Mixed Population Scattered Site	33	26
<b>Women Organizing Resources, Knowledge, and Services (WORKS) Housing WORKS</b>	Single-Site, All TAY (with MH)	20	20
	Totals	<b>191</b>	160

## Speaker Bios

### **Aleah Guillory**

Supportive Housing Community Advocate

Aleah A. Guillory is a 26 year old single mother, born in Oakland, CA. Ms. Guillory moved to Los Angeles as a child and graduated from Susan Miller Dorsey High School Math and Science Magnet in 2006. In 2010, Ms. Guillory became homeless after falling into depression after the death of her grandmother. She remained homeless for two years, in and out of department of mental health programs and transitional housing programs in Los Angeles. With the help of case management at My Friend's Place and therapy through Children's Hospital Los Angeles, Ms. Guillory attended and graduated from Marinello School of Beauty with a Certificate in Cosmetology in July 2013. Ms. Guillory is currently a resident of the 28th Street Apartments, which is a partnership with Coalition for Responsible Community Development and Clifford Beers Housing.

### **Giannina Fehler-Cabral, Ph.D.**

*Research Associate, Harder+Company Community Research*

Ms. Fehler-Cabral has extensive training in qualitative and quantitative methodologies with a particular emphasis on using participatory and collaborative evaluation approaches. She has 10 years of experience conducting research and evaluation in various content areas including education, homelessness, child and adolescent development, and intimate partner violence. Ms. Fehler-Cabral has managed several evaluation projects related to supportive housing models, including the evaluation of the Critical Time Intervention at Downtown Women's Center and the Corporation for Supportive Housing's Moving On Pilot Initiative.

### **Andrea Marchetti**

*Executive Director, Jovenes Inc.*

Andrea Marchetti brings to Jovenes, Inc. the experience and the passion in empowering disadvantaged youth. He not only strives to find sustainable solutions to improve their dire living situation, but he also challenges them to believe in themselves. Mr. Marchetti has held many roles at Jovenes, Inc., including Director of Programs and Financial Officer. As Executive Director, Mr. Marchetti gears Jovenes, Inc. to become the leading provider of services to homeless youth and the immediate communities of Boyle Heights. Mr. Marchetti graduated with honors at the University of Rome 'La Sapienza' where he received a Master's in Business and Economics. He is happily married and is a new proud father of two girls.

- **Jovenes, Inc.** welcomes homeless, at-risk youth (18-25) and gives them a chance to create a path to personal growth and success. Jovenes provides stable housing, life-skills training and employment support designed to create independent living and transform high-risk youth into productive, responsible members of the community. Our mission is personal self-sufficiency and permanent solutions to end the cycle of homelessness. Founded in 1989 by father Richard Estrada, Jovenes serves homeless youth in East LA.

### **Emily James**

Program Manager – TAY Project 40, Step Up On Second

Emily James is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker with Step Up on Second's Project TAY 40. Ms. James has worked with TAY her entire career and is a passionate advocate for the population. Ms. James began her career with Portals TAY ILP Housing program where she worked primarily with TAY exiting the foster care and juvenile justice system. Ms. James made the move to Step Up on Second where she worked for 8 years as the Program Manager for Daniel's Place, a drop in center for TAY and their families who were experiencing the first stages of mental illness. While at Daniel's Place, she oversaw the opening and operations of Daniel's Village, a 7 unit MHSA TAY permanent supportive Housing Project. In July 2013, Ms. James took on a new role within Step Up and is currently the Program Manager of Project TAY 40. Project TAY 40 is the first Project 50 replication program targeting TAY ages 18-25. A partnership with My Friend's Place, TAY 40 seeks to engage 40 TAY in Hollywood who are homeless with mental health needs. Project TAY 40 provides full scope field based mental health and case management services with the ultimate goal of getting all clients housed.

- It is the vision of **Step Up on Second** that all individuals, families, and communities affected by mental health issues will have the opportunity to experience recovery. Step Up on Second involves individuals with severe and persistent mental illness in developing opportunities to reintegrate into the community. Step Up on Second is dedicated to long-term support of people in recovery and their families, offering quality housing, educational, social and work experience. Step Up is committed to increasing public understanding of mental illness.

### **Nina Franqui-Hollomon**

*Director of Enriched Services, Women Organizing Resources, Knowledge, and Services (WORKS)*

Ms. Franqui's career in the Non-profit arena spans over 20 years. She served as the Public Relations and Marketing for Daniel Freeman Hospital in Inglewood, California, and has been actively involved in the with parent involvement/volunteer management with the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science Head Start Program for over 9 years. Ms. Franqui was a Neighbors-In- Dialogue facilitator with The National Conference for Community and Justice (Los Angeles Region), and was coordinator of Newton division of the Los Angeles Police Department N.I.D project. Since 2011, Ms. Franqui began as the Enriched Services Coordinator serving the residents of the W.O.R.K.S. Court Street residential community. Ms. Franqui was promoted to Director of the Enriched Services Department in 2011 and is now responsible for supervision of Enriched Services Coordinators for the W.O.R.K.S. residential communities at Temple Villas, Pisgah Village, Court Street Apartments, Highland Village, Park Williams, and the newest development, Young Burlington.

- **WORKS** passionately delivers quality affordable housing and innovative enriched services. Through our stewardship, WORKS builds equitable, heart-based sustainable communities that encourage resident self-determination. WORKS envisions community in a way that honors our collective cultures. Over the course of 12 years WORKS has developed 15 properties in Los Angeles County, housing over 4,300 people. WORKS serves seniors, the disabled, special needs populations, families and individuals. WORKS success is a result of our focus on heart centered values of stewardship, integrity, equity, collaboration, sustainability, innovation, community building, and self-determination.

### **Mark Wilson**

*Executive Director, Coalition for Responsible Community Development (CRCD)*

A native of South Los Angeles, Mr. Wilson was a Co-Founder of CRCD, and has served as Executive Director since CRCD's inception in 2005. He serves as a liaison to the Board of Directors and Advisory Board, and oversees day-to-day operations, including personnel, finance, programs, fund development, and community relations. Mr. Wilson has 15 years of experience in youth programs and community and economic development. He has served as coordinator of a federally-funded Weed & Seed program and a locally-funded L.A. Bridges gang prevention program. Prior to joining CRCD, Mr. Wilson worked as the Director of Community Development with Dunbar Economic Development Corporation for 4 years. Mr. Wilson also served for 6 years as Director of the Youth Empowerment Project, a program of the Martin Luther King Legacy Association/Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Mr. Wilson studied business administration and nonprofit management at California State University Los Angeles and the University of Phoenix. He completed the Local Initiative Support Corporation's Housing Development Training in 2006.

- The Coalition for Responsible Community Development (CRCD) is a neighborhood-based community development corporation in the Vernon-Central neighborhood in South Los Angeles. CRCD has a unique focus on young people age 16-25, and collaborates actively with residents, businesses, community-based organizations, civic leaders, and the local community college to improve the quality of life in Vernon-Central. Founded in 2005, CRCD's mission is to better sustain, coordinate, and improve local planning, development, and community services that address the needs of low-income residents and small businesses in South Los Angeles. With effective partnerships, CRCD promotes public safety and civic pride; trains and hires unemployed youth to remove graffiti and beautify the neighborhood; engages young people in education, training, and career-building; builds permanent supportive housing for transition-age youth including former foster youth and other low-income residents; and strengthens small businesses to promote economic growth.

**Sam Joo**

*Director of Children and Family Services, Koreatown Youth and Community Center (KYCC)*

For over 22 years, Mr. Joo has worked in various diverse communities in Los Angeles County managing programs that address substance abuse, mental health, child abuse prevention, gang prevention, youth development, and parent support services. He has served on the board of the Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council (A3PCON) from 1998 to 2012 and is also a member of the First 5 Best Start Metro LA Community Guidance Body.

- Since 1975, the mission of the **Koreatown Youth and Community Center**, Inc. (KYCC) has been to serve the evolving needs of the Korean American population in the greater Los Angeles Area as well as the multi-ethnic Koreatown community. KYCC's programs and services are directed toward recently immigrated, economically disadvantaged youth and families, and to promote community socio-economic empowerment. KYCC owns five affordable housing project, consisting of eight buildings and 204 units for low-income individuals and families in Koreatown.

## Documentary Screening: From Invisible to Invincible

*Presented by Jovenes, Inc.*

Tuesday, April 15, 2014

11:30 AM – 2:00 PM

The California Endowment

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