# Conrad N. Hilton



A HISTORY OF RESULTS: For over ten years the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation and the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) have partnered to help people in the Los Angeles community who are struggling with chronic homelessness to build new lives through permanent supportive housing. The partnership between CSH and the Hilton Foundation has spurred the development of nearly 4,000 homes for people experiencing homelessness.

### WHY CSH? LEVERAGING FUNDING TO CREATE EXPONENTIAL

**OUTCOMES:** Six million dollars of investments in CSH loan funds from the Hilton Foundation allowed CSH to leverage nearly \$270 million in public financing and over \$336 million in private financing for homes for people experiencing homelessness. Without these commitments, dozens of projects would have



Lawrence giving a tour of his home

NEW INVESTMENTS: CSH and the Hilton Foundation announced recently that after ten years of collaboration they are deepening their partnership in order to accomplish even more. With a total **\$12 million** investment, half in grant form and half as a loan, the Hilton Foundation and CSH will ramp up efforts to increase the supply of supportive housing throughout Los Angeles County. stalled or been cancelled during the economic downturn

and homelessness would have increased in Los Angeles.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE: After ten years of a successful partnership, CSH and the Hilton Foundation continue to pursue new innovations and strengthen existing programs to end chronic homelessness in Los Angeles. To expand supportive housing in LA, the Foundation has committed \$6 million in new grant funds and \$6 million in renewed loan investments. CSH is ensuring that this investment touches every corner of Los Angeles County by partnering with communities to create new homes, supporting people who have experienced homelessness to advocate for solutions to homelessness, and working to

inspire partnership from the Los Angeles philanthropic, business and public sectors to support innovative strategies to expand the supply and reach of supportive housing.

# MANY PROGRAMS, ONE GOAL

LEADERSHIP: CSH is training people who have experienced homelessness to successfully advocate for solutions to homelessness. In 2014, 16 people graduated from the Supportive Housing Community Advocates program.



New Advocates celebrate at their graduation ceremony

**TOOLS FOR HOSPITALS**: CSH is implementing a triage tool that can be used to identify the highest-need, highest-cost homeless persons in the hospital system so they can be targeted for supportive housing. Evaluation results show that connecting homeless patients to supportive housing results in an average per person cost savings of \$59,416 for hospitals.

**INNOVATIVE FINANCING**: Using loan funds from the Hilton Foundation, CSH will continue to make loans funding unmet short-term financing needs in Los Angeles' permanent supportive housing market, focused on new housing creation, as well as create and test innovative small loans that increase the use of existing private market apartments for permanent supportive housing and continuing to fund risky and stalled projects.

## TOOLS FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM:

CSH's pilot project to support chronically homeless recently incarcerated individuals demonstrated a recidivism rate of 34 percent, compared to a 70 percent recidivism rate in the general jail population when a warm handoff and a clear track to supportive housing was provided upon release. Over the next two years, CSH will collaborate with other non-profit organizations and public agencies to connect 135 recently incarcerated individuals with supportive housing.

HOMELESS YOUTH: CSH is leading the implementation of a triage tool to assess homeless transition age youth ages 18-24 to determine risk for long-term homelessness so agencies can connect those at highest risk to housing and services necessary to prevent long-term homelessness.



Dorothy at home

#### About the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation:

The Conrad N. Hilton Foundation was created in 1944 by international business pioneer Conrad N. Hilton, who founded Hilton Hotels and left his fortune to help the world's disadvantaged and vulnerable people. The Foundation currently conducts strategic initiatives in six priority areas: providing safe water, ending chronic homelessness, preventing substance abuse, helping children affected by HIV and AIDS, supporting transition-age youth in foster care, and extending Conrad Hilton's support for the work of Catholic Sisters. In addition, following selection by an independent international jury, the Foundation annually awards the \$1.5 million Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize to a nonprofit organization doing extraordinary work to reduce human suffering. From its inception, the Foundation has awarded more than \$1 billion in grants, distributing \$92 million in the U.S. and around the world in 2013. The Foundation's current assets are approximately \$2.4 billion. For more information, please visit www.hiltonfoundation.org.

#### About CSH:

CSH is a national nonprofit advancing solutions that use housing as a platform for services to improve the lives of the most vulnerable people, maximize public resources and build healthy communities. We envision a future in which high-quality supportive housing solutions are integrated into the way every community serves the men, women and children in most need. For more information, please visit <u>www.csh.org</u>.