The New Directions Veterans Choir, consisting of formerly homeless veterans, performs for HCIDLA at the 2016 All Hands Staff Meeting at the Angelus Temple in Echo Park on November 16, 2016.

Winter Shelter

Winter Shelters will be open from December 1, 2016 to March 1, 2016. Homeless adults will be provided with overnight shelter, meals, showers, and case management.

New Hours

HCIDLA’s West LA Regional Office is now open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9am - 4pm. Visit us online at www.hcidla.org for other HCIDLA locations.

College Corner

"College Corner" is now available in all FamilySource Centers (FSC) to help students achieve their dreams of higher education. Visit our website to find the FSC nearest you!

ALL STAFF MEETING IS ALL HEART

For the past few years, HCIDLA’s annual All Staff Meeting has aimed to steer away from the conventional year-end recap formula, and rather focused on ways to connect with its staff and emphasize the real-life implications of its work. This year proved to be no different, as the tone was set early on by guest speaker Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, who declared the issue of homelessness as a state of emergency, and that it was not merely a republican issue or a democrat issue, but a human issue. Mr. Ridley-Thomas’ impactful address was later followed by a moving speech by homeless advocate Zondre Johnson, who herself was formerly homeless for 53 years before finally finding her footing with the assistance of PATH, a family of agencies aimed at working together to help end homelessness for families, individuals and youth. Members of the audience were misty-eyed as Ms. Johnson narrated her story of rising from personal strife and mental illness, and everyone shared in her overwhelming joy and gratitude for having a second chance in life. Having a permanent home now validated her very existence, as she exclaimed, "I am not an animal. I’m a human being!"

Following a trademark speech from former Councilman Tom Labonge expounding on the positive aspects of our beautiful city, HCIDLA staff was then treated to the powerful and harmonic tunes of the New Directions Choir, a collection of formerly homeless veterans who have found their calling and spread their message of hope and faith through song. As their voices soared through the aisles of Angelus Temple and resonated into the souls of their captivated audience, it provided an appropriate closing note to a morning that reminded everyone that their roles mattered. The message was loud and clear that HCIDLA was in the business of not merely housing and community, but of humans.
2016: A LOOK BACK

2016 proved to be another great year! In addition to funding numerous developments aimed at families, disabled veterans, and chronically homeless, HCIDLA also took a very active role as a community leader, as well as embarked on a successful citywide campaign to bring awareness of the Rent Stabilization Ordinance in Los Angeles. HCIDLA looks forward to an even greater 2017, and wishes everyone a safe and prosperous new year!

DID YOU KNOW?

HOMEWALK 2016

HCIDLA raised over $9,000 in this year’s Homewalk to aid in the fight to end homelessness!

MORE HOUSING ON THE WAY!

HCIDLA helped the City secure $65 million from the State’s Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities (AHSC) for the development of six sustainable affordable housing projects.