



LEADING THE QUEST FOR  
CARING COMMUNITIES FOR VETERANS.



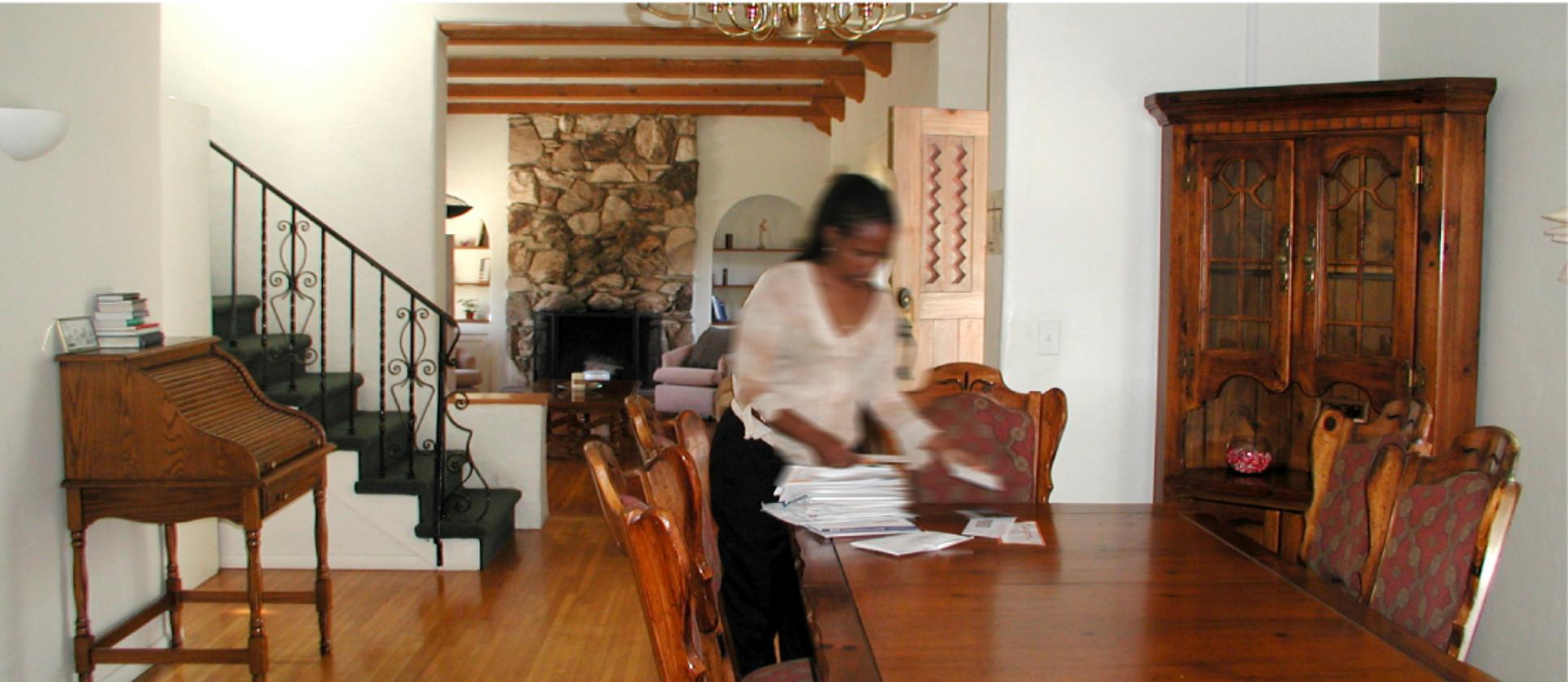
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Rented single family home in 1992



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Original program was 8 veterans in this rented house



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Created model program



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New Directions Regional Opportunity Center



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Abandoned for 20 years



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- Asked the community for help
- Rehabilitation of the building was supported by 8 funding sources



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After a year of construction and \$5 million



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Serve 600-800 meals per day including special diets



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- Meal service with dignity
- Sharing food and conversations



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### Culinary Class:

- 700 hours with Trade Tech
- Job placements at Cedars, St. John's Hospital, Patina Group and LAX



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- Computer Class - 3 levels (Beginner, Intermediate, Advance )
- PowerPoint, Resume and Budgets



### Job Search – EDD

- 120 Get jobs in the community – working at restaurants and at the VA.



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Parenting, Family Reintegration, Anger Management and 12 Step Meetings



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Healthy living, theater, ball games and museums



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- Board of Directors made up of community members
- Management Team: John (COO), Rachel, Murray, Carrie and Nelson



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Veteran leaves with new clothes, new communication skills, new computer skills, new healthy living, job and housing.



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156 beds plus 50 for veterans with multiple disabilities



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Consultants from Anderson School of Business and  
Loyola Entrepreneurship Program



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Increased sales in the past year from \$15k per month to \$27k per month



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Daily Specials, Parties, Jazz BBQ, Holiday Events and Sober Dances.



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- Two 60,000 Sq. Ft. buildings (4 & 5)
- Creating 150 supportive housing units



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Single units, shared living, shared kitchen, and affordability



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- Opportunity to create gardens
- Bring life, energy and healing



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Opportunity to create healthy living environment



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Institutional setting, former mental health facility



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Opportunity to create a caring community



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Lots of celebrations and community interactions



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