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HOPE Releases New Promo Video Communicating Impact of Mission

Drum roll please.....HOPE, Inc. is thrilled to officially release our latest promotional video! Our mission to create stable, affordable homes for people with developmental disabilities is so vital. It is important for us to spread the message about the positive impact we can have on the community with the support of our donors, volunteers, and partners. Watch at <https://bit.ly/2LwU6qI>.



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How Individualized Care and a Sense of Home Transforms the Lives of Adults with Developmental Disabilities

by ERICA STIGLMEIER

Residents living at HOPE’s 24-Hour Residential Care Home in Northridge gather each Wednesday to plan their upcoming week. They meet in the living room to discuss with staff where they want to go and how they want to be involved in the community. On some days it’s bowling and mini golf, and on others it’s trips to Santa Monica or the Discovery Museum.

Each resident has their unique interests and desires: Jerilyn and Rachael love singing, Nadine enjoys playing music, while Christine is a fan of watching movies. The onsite staff from Community Providers of Enrichment Services (CPES) strives to fill each day with engaging activities.

CPES is a behavioral health agency that provides services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD). Their goal at HOPE’s home in Northridge is to not only empower Jerilyn, Christine, Nadine, and Rachel to get involved in the community but also to exercise their independence to the fullest extent of their abilities.

Six years ago this wasn’t possible, as all four of the women previously lived in a Developmental Center (DC), one of the last three state-run institutions to house people with I/DD. Each of them lived in a DC since childhood.

After the Lanterman Act passed in 1969, California took action to gradually eliminate these developmental centers in favor of more personalized care. As stated in the

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Lanterman Act, “People with developmental disabilities have the right to services and support to enable them to live an independent life.” Developmental centers have since given way to the regional center system that is state-funded, but operated by 21 autonomous nonprofit organizations.

Regional centers use a *person-centered* approach to help plan, access, and coordinate the services and supports that their clients need. They contract with other local nonprofit and for-profit organizations, to provide those services to individuals with I/DD, and they arrange, fund, and monitor those providers to assist their clients in maintaining prosperous lives. North Los Angeles County Regional Center (NLACRC) has been instrumental in partnering with HOPE to operate its 24-Hour Residential Care Home in Northridge.

For the women that live there, success looks like freedom of choice. They choose their activities and hobbies while being supported by onsite staff. The outings to places like the aquariums and Queen Mary all serve to continually engage the residents in their community, while encouraging personal interests and exploration.

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provide a normal environment for these women,” says Monique Witherspoon, the Residential Administrator at CPES. “They have their neighborhood, their home, and their own rooms.”

These vibrant daily routines, coupled with a stable home environment, have produced an increased quality of life for all four residents – most notably Jerilyn. Born in Detroit, Jerilyn had lived in a DC from a very young age before moving into her HOPE home. When she entered this new housing, she did not speak and rarely participated in community activities. However, after only a year, she transformed into the group’s social butterfly who now liked to sing and cook dinner. Jerilyn’s brother is amazed by how

much she has flourished since transitioning to her HOPE home. “She talks more and is so much more sociable,” he says. “The program provided to Jerilyn by this team has been crucial to her continued development.”

For Jerilyn, Christine, Nadine, and Rachel, choice and independence have encouraged positive change. Increased autonomy has opened a world of community engagement. This home is a perfect example of how with the right partnerships between organizations like HOPE, CPES, and NLACRC we can together continue to create life-enhancing housing for people with developmental disabilities.

It is through the generosity of our donors that new homes continue to be created and future residents have the opportunity to experience this type of freedom, growth, and independence. Thank you!



Jerilyn lounges in her favorite recliner.

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Since HOPE’s inception, Colleen Mock had been a champion for our cause. Professionally, as the Community Services Director at HRC, and personally, as an advocate, volunteer and donor, she provided leadership that is directly seen in the impact of our mission today. Since her passing on April 6, HOPE has been honored to be the beneficiary of nearly \$20,000 in donations contributed in her memory. Colleen will always be in the hearts of the HOPE team members touched by her friendship and support. Thank you to those donors who continue her legacy through your gifts.



HOPE Launches Capital Campaign to Fund Rehab at Newly Acquired Housing for Six People with Developmental Disabilities in Long Beach

This summer HOPE is launching a capital campaign to raise \$200K to fund renovations of its new housing on Redondo Avenue in Long Beach. Donations to this fund will go directly toward property improvements to increase safety, access, and aesthetics before residents move in at the start of the new year.

HOPE acquired this eight unit multi-family building in May 2018. Upon completion of rehab, this location will provide affordable housing for six people with developmental disabilities, and one unit will be reserved as office space for onsite support staff. The building includes two 2-bedroom units, two one-bedroom units, and two studios, as well as four garages.

While the existing configuration of the housing layout will remain the same, HOPE is scheduled to complete renovations that include new flooring, interior paint, kitchen fixtures, appliances, kitchen & bathroom remodels, and heating repairs.

This new housing on Redondo Avenue was purchased for \$1.8 million through HOPE's internal capital, investment of HOME funds from the City of Long Beach, and financing through Clearinghouse CDFI.

The City of Long Beach is very happy to be involved in this project, and we are proud of the work that HOPE does to provide affordable housing opportunities and support services for individuals with developmental disabilities in our community

- Patrick Ure, Long Beach Housing Development Division Bureau Manager

"We are moving quickly to address the affordable housing crisis for the people we serve," says HOPE Executive Director Kristin Martin. "This type of Independent Living model, which also provides needed onsite supports, offers our residents the very best chance at success."

Renovations are scheduled to start in November, with a target move-in

date for residents in January 2019. A grand opening celebration is planned for later that spring to commemorate the hard work, sacrifice, and dedication of this project's community partners and donors.

Join HOPE in these efforts by contributing to our capital campaign! Your gift does more than put a roof over someone's head, it creates independence and empowerment that serves as a foundation for people with I/DD to succeed in work, volunteering, education, and socialization. Please consider supporting our mission.

To make a financial contribution to HOPE's Redondo Capital Campaign, please complete the pledge card and mail your tax-deductible gift to 1155 E. San Antonio Dr, Long Beach, CA 90807, or make your gift online at www.hope-homes.org/ways-to-give/.

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Join us for this premier, annual fundraising event that through 2017 has raised more than \$1.2 million to create safe, stable, and affordable homes for people with developmental disabilities!

Attendees can participate in tournament events, cocktail hour, dinner, and exciting raffles and auctions! Proceeds go directly to *Creating Independence* through HOPE's Redondo Capital Campaign.

This year's event will take place at Old Ranch Country Club, and Abc7's Rob Fukuzaki will serve as our Master of Ceremonies. Players will enjoy 18 holes of golf, fun in-tournament contests, a boxed lunch, and snacks and drinks throughout the day. The evening's award ceremony and tournament dinner will provide guests with chances to win fabulous items in our raffle, silent auction, and opportunity drawings, as well as be provided an entertaining program that will highlight HOPE's achievements during the year. Information on sponsorship and benefit packages are available at www.hope-homes.org/golf.

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