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Housing For All NOW!

On February 1st, Anthony Davis (Permanent Supportive Housing client) spoke at CNHED's Housing for All Rally about the need for continued funding to PSH programs.



Mr. Davis asked Mayor Gray and the DC Councilmembers how they plan to end chronic homelessness by the year 2020. [Click here](#) to hear Mr. Davis' powerful words.

A New Home

A mother and her two daughters moved into a newly furnished apartment after living without a home for months. The 3-bedroom home was furnished in a partnership between **Episcopal Church of the Redeemer (Bethesda)** and **St. Thomas Episcopal Church (DC)**.



The furnishing day took place on Saturday, February 8th with a record breaking 23 volunteers helping to put the home together throughout the day. Cindy Winder (Redeemer) and Gregory Zitterkob (St. Thomas) co-lead the effort and had been preparing/collecting furniture items throughout January. Rev. Nancy Lee Jose (St. Thomas) lead a beautiful House Blessing which included scripture, special prayers in each room read by parishioners, and holy water sprinkled on the front door with rosemary to symbolize a cross that will protect the home.

[For more pictures, check out THC's Facebook Page.](#)

New Website Launching March 1st

On March 1st, THC will be launching our new website. With a new look and new social media capabilities, we look forward to engaging and informing our audience about all of the latest things happening with THC, DC, and how we're ending homelessness in the District.

THC Meets the President



Last month, while our Development Team was taking our new Volunteer Coordinator, Samson Girma, to lunch at The Coupe, we happened to run into the President himself! Just another day at THC!

Save the Date!

2014 Living in the City

Thursday, May 15th

6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

New NPR Headquarters

1111 North Capitol St, NE

Washington, DC 20002

For sponsorships, auction donations, and ticket information, please visit

www.thcdc.org or contact

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THC at EDOW

The Episcopal Diocese of Washington (EDOW) held its annual convention on January 31st and February 1st at the Reid Temple A.M.E. Church. Delegates, clergy, visitors and local organizations gathered together to celebrate the year ahead with the Episcopal Church. Polly Donaldson, THC Executive Director, facilitated the *Mission through Service Ministries* workshop, in which panel members explored how outreach ministries can help parishes address broader issues of justice in our community.

"How will we get from where we are to where God is calling us to be? In stages." - The Rt. Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde. Read Bishop Budde's Convention Sermon [here](#).

Employer Partnerships

A new Harris Teeter is opening this summer in Southeast DC and 24 THC clients will be applying for jobs early, thanks to our partners at **Forest City**, the commercial and residential real estate firm that is developing the mixed-use property.

Steve Martin, THC Job Developer, has been working with employers all over the city in creating partnerships to not only find jobs for our clients but to establish job training and recruitment programs for multiple THC families. Developing special relationships with employers will allow THC Employment Counselors and Case Managers to work closer with local businesses in managing an employment plan for our clients job development and training

New Board Members

THC is pleased to announce the addition of two members to our board. [Phyllis Jordan](#), Vice President of The Hatcher Group, and [Derrick Perkins](#), Bank of America's Senior Vice President of Community Development Banking, were elected to serve on THC's Board of Directors.

We are looking forward to the leadership and expertise that Ms. Jordan brings with a long-standing career in journalism and Mr. Perkin's outstanding community development work as they help further THC's mission of housing families, transforming lives.



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