SECTION 3 RESIDENT STORY: Let's Get to Work!



Chaunthia's story

Chaunthia Mahone resides at Rancho San Pedro housing community with her 5 year old daughter, Harmmony. She has an AA degree in Business Management, is certified as an Administrative Assistant and has taken several accounting courses.

Best Choice Plumbing was recently awarded a subcontract to perform a water utility service upgrade at Rancho San Pedro. As part of HACLA's Section 3 Program, Best Choice Plumbing hired Chaunthia for a clerical position. Chauthia has leveraged her educational and employment background to thrive in this office environment. Talk about a win-win situation!

Chaunthia is working hard to secure permanent employment in order to provide a stable family environment for her daughter.





"My daughter is my motivation. I want to be a good example for her. The fact that the Housing Authority brings all types of resources to residents right in front of my door is very helpful for me."

Chaunthia Mahone

Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, requires that economic opportunities generated by certain U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) financial assistance for housing and community development programs shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be given to low and very low income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing, and to businesses that provide economic opportunities for these persons.

HACLA has developed Section 3 Business and Resident Registries to assist businesses and residents to gain employment and economic opportunities.

SECTION 3 RESIDENTS REGISTRY

HACLA maintains a database of qualified employment-ready Section 3 Residents. Residents take assessment tests, go through a skills review and are provided resources to be employment-ready. Interested residents are encouraged to contact Human Resources Department at (213) 252-5387 to enroll in the registry. Residents from the Registry are identified and referred to contractors for employment opportunities.

SECTION 3 BUSINESS REGISTRY

Businesses who wish to do business with HACLA, and to provide economic opportunities to HACLA residents are encouraged to contact the Section 3 Compliance Administrator at (213) 252-1865 or via e-mail at section3@hacla.org.

Additional information about the Section 3 program is available at www.hacla.org/section3.