

# SECTION 3 RESIDENT STORY:

## *Let's Get to Work!*



### ROBERT'S STORY

Robert Lowe, age 61, has been a HACLA resident since 1992. He raised his two sons in Imperial Courts, and calls the community home.

Robert prides himself on his work ethic and strives to continually improve his skills. He is a United States veteran, a journeyman licensed plumber and, in the past, has worked on HACLA's Force Account team. Most recently, Robert was hired by Best Choice Plumbing on a utility upgrade project and Letner Co. on a re-roofing project. Both of these positions were made possible through HACLA's Section 3 Program, which aims to provide employment opportunities to HACLA's residents.

Robert is an inspiration! Not only has he seized opportunities that have become available through HACLA's Section 3 Program, he is also attending Trade Tech College to finish his AA degree.

Clearly, Robert is not thinking of retirement anytime soon.



*"I can learn something new every day. Why would I slow down? As an ex-military man I am used to being active to keep me going."*

*Robert Lowe*

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](mailto:section3@hacla.org).

Additional information about the Section 3 program is available at [www.hacla.org/section3](http://www.hacla.org/section3).