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Felix Au-Yeung

Director of Business Development, MidPen Housing

Felix is the Director of Business Development at MidPen Housing, where he is responsible for launching new developments. Tasks include site identification, property acquisition, project conceptualization, financial feasibility analysis, and building strong relationships with our partners and the communities of the proposed developments. In his three years at MidPen, Felix has helped start over 1,400 homes in the pipeline. Prior to MidPen, Felix was a senior manager of business development and senior project manager at EAH Housing. He started his affordable housing career 14 years ago as a Program Specialist at the City of Santa Rosa. Felix holds a Master in International Development from the University of Pittsburgh and a Master of Science from MIT. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in mechanical engineering with a minor in Peace and Conflict Studies from UC Berkeley. He has a strong interest in community development and green buildings. He served on the inaugural board of Silicon Valley @ Home, and was a former member of the Citizens Advisory Committee to the Marin Housing Authority and a former member of the Citizens Advisory Committee for Economic Development and Housing at the City of San Rafael.

Shawn Johnson

Principal of Leadership, Nonprofit and Community Development LLC and Associate Director of Community Partnerships, Eden Housing, Inc.

Shawn Johnson, MA is the Principal of Leadership for Nonprofit and Community Development LLC and the Associate Director of Community Partnerships with Eden Housing Inc. An Oakland native and passionate community advocate, Shawn provides community and leadership development services, nonprofit technical assistance and programmatic strategies to community stakeholders. With Eden Housing, he leads the development and management of large-scale community partnerships to enhance programming for the Resident Services Department. Shawn possesses 20 years of experience in community capacity building within low-income communities of color. He has successfully implemented a variety of strategies and initiatives that developed the leadership capacities of local community members and community-based organizations throughout the Bay Area.

Shawn is committed to advancing the global community's inherent influence to realize a healthier world. He focuses much of his work in activating the power of community members to lead or support initiatives and local collaboratives that will yield thriving communities. He's also a trained coach and case management with experience in classroom instruction, curriculum development, data management and program development.

Shawn holds a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from California State University East Bay and Master of Arts in Organization and Leadership Development from the University of San Francisco.

Hang Mosier

Community Engagement Program Director, SAHA

Hang Mosier joined SAHA in 2011 as a Service Coordinator, was subsequently promoted to be SAHA's Community Engagement and Partnerships Manager in 2015, and currently serves as SAHA's Community Engagement Program Director. Hang earned her Bachelor of Arts in Social

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Work from the University of California, Berkeley. Hang oversees the Community Engagement Program and has demonstrated strong leadership in providing strategic guidance to her team and deepened collaborations with community agencies. Hang spent two years on the board of Alameda County-Oakland Community Action Partnership. Presently, she serves as the Vice President of Ways and Means on the Parent-Teacher Association at the school her children attend.

Vanna Whitney **Associate Principal, Leddy Maytum Stacy Architects**

“My passion has always lied in getting to work with populations who have to struggle to be heard... LMS^A has allowed me to focus on working with these people, and I look forward to continuing to work on such great projects with the firm.”

Vanna Whitney has focused her more than 20-year career on underserved communities and environmental and social sustainability. Her work has included four projects in the San Francisco Bay Area that provide varying amounts of permanent supportive housing for people experiencing homelessness, as well as many more projects serving low-income families.

Within LMS^A, she has led the mentorship program, pairing up a senior architect with a younger designer, and she spoke at the AIA Convention in 2016 and will be a part of two sessions at the upcoming 2017 Convention. Vanna's commitment to serve the community also extends beyond her work in the firm; she is an Assistant Cook for the Streetmeal (a hot dinner served to people living without homes and/or in need of food), has provided her time and design expertise to Habitat for Humanity, and is a member of East Bay Housing Organizations (EBHO).

Vanna's projects have received local and national design awards and been recognized by local and national organizations including the American Institute of Architects, the Urban Land Institute, Turner Prize, San Francisco Business Times, the U.S. Green Building Council, and Builder Magazine. The Rene Cazenave Apartments was selected as an AIA COTE Top Ten Green Project in the U.S. for 2016.

Angela Upshaw **Director of Programs, Insight Housing**

Angela is the Director of Programs at Insight Housing (formerly known as the Berkeley Food and Housing Project). Having had a personal experience with homelessness, she is honored and humbled to assist people experiencing homelessness in regaining housing security. She has overseen Insight Housing's homeless veterans program in six Northern California Counties. Angela is a long-time member and Education Director at the New Greater Love Church of God in Christ in Stockton, and sits on the Advisory Board for the Sacramento Continuum of Care. She holds a Master's in Public Health from Touro University California and a MBA from University of Phoenix.

Shashi Jivan **Regional Director of Major Gifts, Mercy Housing**

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Shashi Jivan (he/him/his) has been working in the affordable housing industry for over 20 years, leading resident services family staff, programs, and budgets across the state for Mercy Housing California for most of those two decades. Shashi represents Mercy on both National Racial Equity Diversity and Inclusion (REDI) and statewide efforts within Mercy Housing California teams.

Shashi is currently leading a \$40 million capital campaign for Mercy in collaboration with our partners Boys & Girls Club of SF, Related CA, and Wu Yee to raise philanthropic funds to build the Hub, a state of the art Community Center and Recreation Center in Sunnydale neighborhood of SF, at the heart of a neighborhood redevelopment of public housing that Mercy is also leading. Shashi has also produced short videos on resident's lives at Mercy Housing. For leisure he loves biking, frisbee, hiking and cavorting with his three kids. In the '90s he bicycled across America and parts of Asia for a nonprofit group he founded Pedaling for Peace.

William Goodwin **Resident Leader, Hope Solutions**

William is a native of Oakland, California, and now a Resident in Pittsburg, California. He is a member of the Resident Empowerment Program, with Hope Solutions (formerly Contra Costa County Interfaith Housing). A community advocate and strong proponent of Civic Engagement, William has served three years as President of the Los Medanos Junior High School Site Council, and is a member of the Pittsburg Unified School District Advisory Committee. He volunteers with a number of non-profit organizations throughout the Bay Area, helping to accelerate the social and economic mobility of the underserved. William is a recent graduate of Urban Habitat's Board and Commissions Leadership Institute. He is a firm believer that Housing is a Human Right, and therefore advocates for Housing Justice, Affordable Housing, and Supportive Services.

Donna Griggs-Murphy **Resident Services Supervisor, Human Good**

Donna Griggs-Murphy is a Resident Services Supervisor at HumanGood. An Aging Services Professional for 20 years, she serves on Alameda County's Commission on Aging, Senior Services Coalition Steering Committee, Alameda County's Older Adults Council, and is the Chair of Leading Age California Affordable Housing Subcommittee. Donna continues to fight for safe and affordable housing for all with supportive services. Donna has worked in Affordable Housing for over 20 years and encouraged residents to be a part of Leadership Engagement with EBHO. She continues to be an active community partner and member of EBHO.

Linda Coleman **Vice President of Resident Services, HumanGood**

In her position as Vice President of Resident Services for affordable housing at HumanGood, she manages resident services offering a wide array of supportive health and wellness services. Her work focuses on ensuring that residents are receiving the assistance they need to maintain and improve their quality of life, and successfully age in their home and community. In addition, forming and implementing purposeful partnerships in efforts to assist residents to thrive in their

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respective communities, is a critical function of what she works towards. Linda is certified in mediation for conflict resolution, Professional Service Coordinator, LeadingAge Academy 2015, recipient of the 2020 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation award for Health Equity, B.S. in Social Science with a concentration in Business and Social Work from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo and holds a Master's in Leadership from Grand Canyon University.

Lauline Mitchell

Director of Pre-Construction, BBI Construction

Lauline Mitchell has more than twenty years experience in the construction industry, with a focus on affordable housing. As the Director of Pre-Construction at BBI Construction, she manages everything from cost estimates to purchasing to contract negotiations. Lauline is President of the National Association of Women in Construction. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Liberal Arts from the University of Arizona.

Peggy McQuaid

Former City Councilmember, Albany

Peggy McQuaid was raised in Albany, and she has devoted her life to her East Bay community. She served on the Albany City Council for the maximum of eight years, including three years as Vice Mayor and two as Mayor. In her role as a City Council member, Peggy represented Albany on the Leadership Board of Everyone Home, the League of California Cities, the Alameda County Housing Authority (as an alternate for Keith Carson), and the Alameda County Transportation Commission.

Prior to her work on the Albany City Council, Peggy spent 19 years working for the Albany Unified School District as the Pool Director. She has volunteered with and held leadership roles in a number of Albany community organizations.

She has received a number of accolades for her community service. In 2017, Peggy was selected as a Women's History Month Honoree by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors. In 2012, she was recognized as one of the 14th Assembly District's Women on the Year.

Peggy holds a B.A. in Political Science from Holy Names University in Oakland, CA.

Kevin Leichner

Senior Vice President, Housing and Real Estate Development, Community Housing Works

Kevin Leichner is Senior Vice President of Housing and Real Estate Development at Community Housing Works.

Prior to joining Community Housing works, Kevin spent eight years at Eden Housing serving in various Real Estate Development Leadership roles, overseeing Eden's debt and equity investment placements and substantially contributing to Eden's policy and advocacy efforts.

During his approximately four years at BRIDGE Housing, Kevin worked on portfolio and joint-venture acquisition-rehabilitation projects, including first-time tax credit syndications of formerly public housing units with the Sacramento and San Francisco Housing Authorities.

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Before his career in affordable housing, Kevin worked for approximately ten years with the National Park Service and its nonprofit affiliates on novel financing strategies for the rehabilitation of park structures and amenities, adaptive reuse of historic structures, and major park-building and revenue generation strategies in San Francisco and New York City.

Kevin holds an MBA and a Masters in Urban Planning from Columbia University as well as a B.A. in Architecture from U.C. Berkeley. He is a former Planning Commissioner with the City of San Leandro.

Cathy Eberhardt **Resident Organizer, East Bay Housing Organizations**

Cathy Eberhardt enrolled in EBHO's Leadership Academy in 2018. She has since been an active member of EBHO's Resident Community Organizing Program and Oakland Committee. She was the recipient of EBHO's Affordable Housing Month Housing Hero Award in 2023.

Outside of EBHO, Cathy serves on the Resident Leadership Council for EBALDC, as well as All Home's Great Policy Strategies Committee and Community Advisory Council. Effective November 2023, she will be joining the Board of Directors for Housing California.

Aubra Levine **Vice President of Real Estate Development, The Unity Council**

Aubra has over a decade of experience working with affordable housing developers in the Bay Area. She is well versed in every stage of development including acquisition and financing strategies, facilitating the work of a design and construction team, and overseeing project manager staff. After hours, Aubra serves on the Board of Coolidge Court, one of the country's first affordable housing communities designed for young adults with psychiatric disabilities.

Aubra holds a Master of Regional Planning from the University of North Carolina and a Bachelor's from the University of Michigan.

Christina Mun **Chief Strategy Officer, LeSar Holdings Inc.**

Christina Mun brings nearly two decades of housing development and policy experience in California and New York. Prior to joining LeSar, Christina led the City of Oakland's Housing & Community Development Department as Interim Director, where she co-authored the department's 2021-2023 Strategic Action Plan, guided Oakland's successful 2023-2031 Housing Element Update, and secured new sources of funding for affordable housing, among other projects. Christina has also worked in strategic planning, policy, and underwriting for the housing agencies of San Francisco and New York City. She has developed housing across the Bay Area with both private and nonprofit developers.

Christina holds a Master of City Planning degree from U.C. Berkeley and a B.A. in Urban Studies from U.C. San Diego.

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