

Holmes Community Development BIO

Holmes Community Development Corporation is elated about the impending possibilities and potential to have help in our revitalization project in the Sunnyside Community. Through the last ten years of our existence we have remain hopeful that others would willfully join our efforts and share in our mission. Below is a brief bio of the corporation, which will allow you to capture our vision and accomplishments. They are as follows:

❖ Geographic Area of Interest/Operation

Holmes Road – North Boundary
Reed Road – South Boundary
Highway 288 – West Boundary
Cullen Blvd. – East Boundary

❖ Project of Interest

Holmes CDC's interest is in the revitalization of the Sunnyside Community. The community has voiced their concerns and Holmes CDC has risen to the challenge of building brand new single-family affordable homes in the community. Holmes CDC's other interest is bringing economic dollars into the area. The CDC will venture in constructing its first commercial rental center by year-end of 2007.

❖ Years of Operation

Holmes CDC will celebrate 10 years of existence this year.

❖ Organization Website Address

www.holmescdc.org

❖ Whether the CDC qualifies as a “Builder” under the LARA RFP requirements

Holmes CDC does qualify as a builder under the LARA RFP requirements.

❖ Whether the CDC is seeking to partner with a Builder:

Holmes CDC is always keeping their options opened.

❖ Housing or other projects completed or underway

Holmes CDC has built and sold 45 homes. The CDC's yearly goal is 20 houses a year. The CDC is also making plans for the 3 acres purchased on last year to build 10,000 square foot commercial retail center.

❖ Number of staff members

The CDC has 3 full-time staff members and 1 part-time member.

❖ Affiliations (churches, CDC Association, etc.)

Holmes CDC affiliations are as follows: Four Executive Board members are pastors of local churches such as Pentecostal Baptist Church, Sunnyside Baptist Church, Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, Greater Morning Star Baptist Church, one other board member is a long time member of the Lilly Grove Baptist Church. The Executive Director holds a board position with the CDC Association of Greater Houston, a member of Texas Association of CDC and also Vice President of the Brookhaven (Sunnyside) Civic Club. Bank affiliations consist of but not limited to Wells Fargo Bank, Unity National Bank, Washington Mutual and Texas Mezzanine Fund. Foundations consist of but not limited to LISC, Rockwell Fund and Houston Endowment.

❖ **Awards, Special Recognition**

Holmes CDC has not been recognized by any one in particular, just the community it serves.

❖ **Other Facts Of Interest**

Holmes CDC realizes the struggle of community development and is determined to keep the course. Holmes CDC is not only building homes in the community it is helping to modify the deed restriction, orchestrate yearly neighborhood clean-up, helps keep the community abreast of the changes in the City of Houston, organized a beautification project down Holmes Road corridor, partnering with the City of Houston Parks and Recreation and placed trash barrels at all major intersections in the community. Holmes CDC placed the first community identification signs in the community at three major intersections. The CDC helps bring governmental officials together to talk about the concerns of the Sunnyside Community. Holmes CDC has the support of its City Council Representative (Council member Ada Edwards) and many others that can make a difference.