



AROUND TRP

monthly highlights

DECEMBER 2023



We wish you and your loved ones a

BRIGHT HOLIDAY AND A
PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.



¡Les deseamos felices fiestas y un próspero año nuevo!



A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

In 2023, TRP began to overcome the disruption of COVID-19 by embarking on a year of strategic growth and change. While the repercussions of the pandemic remain present in the needs of the people we serve and government resources and philanthropic aid shift to other priorities, we reaffirm our commitment to propelling others to achieve their aspirations by strengthening our community.

As I reflect on the past year, I am grateful for the partnerships that have enabled us to uplift immigrant leadership through our [Immigrant Justice Leadership Academy](#) and [Work Permits 4 All Campaign](#). For the public and private financing that led to the opening of [Casa Durango](#), our 53-unit affordable housing development in Pilsen. For the expansion of [education](#) and [health](#) initiatives that will help our community thrive. Most of all, I am grateful for our staff, who have adapted to change and continue to serve with passion, character, and commitment.

As we look toward a new year, we will be called to advance our mission and deepen our partnerships to maximize our impact. From the first-time homeowner navigating the complex process of purchasing a home with an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to the parent-mentor volunteering in their child's school, to the community health and immigrant navigator helping their neighbor access care or advocate for immigrant justice. TRP's work will continue to center on improving the lives of families. We remain firmly resolved in building wealth and leadership in the communities we serve.

Thank you for your continued support. An individual donor will match every dollar donated to TRP this holiday season. Your financial contribution makes our work possible. Please donate [here](#).

My warmest wishes to you and your family this holiday season and a very prosperous 2024 to all.

¡Felices Fiestas!

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TRP HIGHLIGHTS

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WORK PERMITS FOR ALL

The Resurrection Project's Immigrant Justice Department continues to advocate for work permits for all by collaborating with organizations, thought leaders, and elected officials. Thank you to Chicago Tribune's reporter **Laura Rodriguez Presa** for the feature. [Click here to read the full article.](#)

TRP LEGAL CLINIC

TRP is leading a coordinated effort to centralize application preparation via large-scale workshops for recently arrived immigrants who are eligible for Temporary Protected Status and/or work permits via parole. We continue to collaborate closely with the State, City, legal service providers, the Chicago Bar Foundation.

PROPERTY TAX APPEALS

TRP's Full Circle Homes (FCH) program ensures households have the resources and support to purchase and stay in their homes long-term, and TRP's Financial Wellness team has been working with the Cook County Assessor's Office and the Cook County Board of Review to assist residents in lowering their property taxes.

APPEAL YOUR PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT WITH THE BOARD OF REVIEW

HOSTED BY



Honorary George Cardenas
Board of Review 1st District Commissioner



Building Relationships. Creating Healthy Communities.

West Chicago Township is open for appeals!

Board of Review Analysts will be on site to assist with your appeal.

Join us for a free session.

Remember to bring your Property Index Number (PIN) or your 2nd Installment Property Tax Bill

Walk-ins welcome! No registration necessary!

» Thursday, December 28, 2023

» 5:00 p.m. to 7 p.m.



**WEST CHICAGO TOWNSHIP
IS OPEN FOR APPEALS UNTIL
JANUARY 2, 2024**

THE RESURRECTION PROJECT

La Casa Resource Center
1815 S. Paulina Street
Chicago, IL 60608

www.resurrectionproject.org
312-666-1323

CONTACT INFORMATION

Board of Review
www.cookcountyboardofreview.com
312-603-5560

ADDRESSING CHICAGO'S HOUSING SHORTAGE

On December 11, 2023, Mayor Brandon Johnson issued an executive order for 14 city departments to streamline their process for approving residential and commercial building developments.

As an experienced developer, The Resurrection Project (TRP) applauds this announcement to produce units at a quicker pace and address the city's affordable housing shortage.

"This is the bold leadership that Chicago needs, and I trust that this administration will deliver on its commitment, said Guacolda Reyes, Chief Real Estate Development Officer at The Resurrection Project. "I am incredibly excited by this first step, and I welcome the opportunity to sit at the table to discuss how we can all work together towards increasing safe, affordable housing."

TRP creates, develops, preserves, and invests in tangible community assets, including rental and for-sale affordable housing, community facilities, and commercial spaces. [Click here to learn more about our latest development, Casa Durango.](#)

Among our innovative approaches is modular housing in Back of the Yards. Modular homes provide an affordable alternative to traditional new construction for residents on Chicago's South Side. During the past three decades, TRP has worked to expand access to homeownership, increase financial stability, and create generational for families. [Click here to learn more about TRP housing and financial resources.](#)

Rooted in the Pilsen community, TRP's impact now extends across Chicago and through the State of Illinois; we are making steady progress towards leveraging and preserving more than \$1 billion in community wealth by 2025.

[Click here to learn more about this announcement.](#)

[Click here to learn more about similar work in the Roseland neighborhood.](#)

CHRISTMAS - OFFICE HOURS

Thursday, December 21, 2023, TRP offices will close at 1:00 p.m.

Friday, December 22, 2023, TRP offices will be closed for Christmas Eve

Monday, December 25, 2023, TRP offices will be closed Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 26, 2023, TRP offices will resume regular business hours, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

NEW YEAR'S - OFFICE HOURS

Friday, December 29, 2023, TRP offices will be closed for New Year's Eve

Monday, January 1, 2024, TRP offices will be closed for New Year's Day

Tuesday, January 2, 2024, TRP offices will resume regular business hours, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

THE CIVIC ORCHESTRA OF CHICAGO AT TRP

TRP was delighted to welcome the Civic Orchestra of Chicago for a special performance at La Casa Resource Center on Sunday, December 3, 2023, to support **ELLAS**. [Click here to view a highlight video.](#)



PROVIDING RESOURCES TO THE COMMUNITY

The **HEALTHY CHICAGO EQUITY ZONE (HCEZ)** is an initiative of TRP and partners with residents and organizations to increase mental health resources in the McKinley Park neighborhood. The health navigators have assisted in providing vaccines, community outreach events, and food pantries. The team has partnered with Blessed Sacrament, McKinley Park Library, San Miguel Church, Back of the Yards Library, and State

Representative Theresa Mah (24th) and Alderperson Jula Ramirez (12th).

The **CHICAGO COMMUNITY HEALTH RESPONSE CORP. (CCHRC)** is an initiative of TRP that connects TRP tenants and Chicagoans with public health employment and training opportunities to increase health resources in the community. We educate our community about COVID-19 and other public health threats in partnership with clinics, hospitals, and community organizations. This month the team collaborated with Orozco Academy, Pilsen Academy, Cesar Chavez Center, William Finkl, Libby Elementary, and Chavez Elementary. Additionally, staff co-hosted Bingo with Chicago Police Officers at TRP's Casa Maravilla.

IMMIGRANT JUSTICE

VOLUNTEER TRAINING

The Immigrant Justice Legal Clinic is holding volunteer training throughout the year. For more information and to register to volunteer, click [here](#).

FULL CIRCLE HOMES

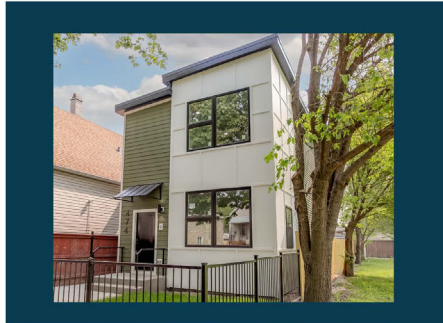


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NEW CONSTRUCTION HOMES

COMING TO BACK OF THE YARDS!



KEY FEATURES

- »» Energy Efficient home
- »» Smart features
- »» 2 Bedrooms
- »» 1.5 Baths
- »» 1,600 SF



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 trprealty@resurrectionproject.org
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*\$20k in downpayment assistance available.
 Income restrictions apply



NEW HOMES COMING TO BACK OF THE YARDS!

New modular and traditional frame homes are being built in Back of the Yards!

Email to Erica Esquivel to schedule a tour! Eesquivel@resurrectionproject.org.

ONE-STOP SHOP TO HOMEOWNERSHIP

Full Circle Homes (FCH), an initiative of TRP, aims to make homeownership accessible to all. FCH experts will guide you through the home-buying process and support you before

and after your purchase to ensure peace of mind and a sound investment. Click [here](#) to learn more about our services.

Additional resources:

Homebuyers looking for a homebuyer certificate, click [here](#) for more information.



TRP LENDING

Don't fall behind on home projects! Homeowners can borrow up to \$30,000 with a low-interest rate of 4%. The loan can be used for needed repairs and upgrades to your home. For more information, contact [Jose Lepez Jr](#) at 312-880-1881, or click [here](#) to apply.

FREE FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT CONSULTATION



Are you or someone you know interested in buying a home but don't know where to begin?
Does your credit need some work?
Do you need financial advice?

WE CAN HELP YOU!

WEDNESDAYS

11:00 AM - 6:00 PM

NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED



According to a study conducted by the Federal Trade Commission, one in five people have an error on their credit report.

WE OFFER

- Free Credit Report
- Credit Analysis
- Spending Plan Analysis
- Personal Action Plan

» Come visit us at:
Casa Hidalgo - 4600 S. Wood Street
Chicago, IL 60609

CALL US AT 312-880-1137

EVENTS

PILSEN PROPERTY OWNERS

Join  **PILSEN NEIGHBORS** COMMUNITY COUNCIL in the next

PILSEN PROPERTY TAX PUBLIC MEETING AND WORKSHOPS



Traiga su factura para que la oficina del Asesor verifique sus exenciones(ahorros) de la propiedad

Assessor's Office will verify your property tax exemptions

El Cook county Board of Review aceptara apelaciones a los impuestos a la propiedad de West Township, la fecha limite es Enero 2, 2024

The Cook County Board of Review will be accepting property tax appeals for West Township

Recursos GRATIS de productos y reembolsos para mejoras de climatización, iluminación y calefacción del programa de ahorros de energia para edificios multifamiliar

The Multi-Family Energy Savings offering FREE products and rebates for weatherization, lighting and HVAC upgrades

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| Location Orozco Community Academy 1940 W 18th St, Chicago, IL 60608 | Monday, Dec 18th 2023 <i>Lunes 18 de Dic. 2023</i> 6:00 pm |
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Register at pilsenneighbors.org/publicmeeting



or scan the QR Code



SAVE THE DATE - HOPE GALA 2024



NOCHE de Gala

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10th
8:00 p.m. to 1 a.m.



Event Tickets - \$100
Raffle Tickets - \$5 EACH
**Need not be present to win*

NIKO'S BANQUET HALL
7600 S. Harlem Avenue
Bridgeview, IL 60455

OPEN BAR, DINNER, AND ENTERTAINMENT
MUSIC BY: DJ AZTEKA

Ticket pick-up information: 1914 S. ASHLAND AVENUE
312-421-7647



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HEALTHY CHICAGO EQUITY ZONE PROGRAM IN COORDINATION WITH THE MCKINLEY PARK CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL BE PRESENTING AWARENESS SESSIONS ON:

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

YOU WILL LEARN:

- An action plan to help during an emotional crisis.
- Self-coping skills for depression, anxiety and stress.
- Improve self-care, self-esteem and communication skills



Join us the following three Saturdays
January 6, 20 and February 3, 2024
10:00am to Noon

McKinley Park Public Library
1915 W. 35th Street, Chicago IL 60609

TO REGISTER:
Call: 708-540-3244
Email: lguevara@resurrectionproject.org

Nepantla: Undergraduate Journal of Faith, Culture and the Arts
CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

The PASOS Network invites *undergraduate students* to submit any written or visual art that reflects the ways in which we engage in culturally responsive and sustaining practices that center the lived realities of students from minoritized communities.

Nepantla: Undergraduate Journal of Faith, Culture and the Arts seeks to promote the artistic expressions of faith, culture, and justice of undergraduate students by publishing those who create from a space of liminality, embracing their status as “*ni de aqui, ni de alla*” (from neither here nor there). For some, it might mean being from both the United States and another country; for others, it can be embodied in the navigating of obstacles unique to the experience of first-generation students for whom the university setting does not see their struggles. Whatever it means to you and your relationship to God and to others, this journal hopes to include it.

SHARE YOUR WORK!

Submissions are open for *Nepantla: Undergraduate Journal of Faith, Culture and the Arts*.

The journal, *Nepantla*, takes its name from the Nahuatl word that means “in-betweenness.” The PASOS Network invites students to submit any form of art that centers the lived realities of students from minoritized communities. *Nepantla* captures the essence of living in the in betweenness of two worlds. We invite undergraduate writers and artists to contribute to our journal, exploring the rich, complex, and other transformative experiences of navigating this liminal space.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Students can submit multiple submissions by filling out our online form and include a brief artist statement/bio for each submission. Submissions are due by **January 26, 2023**.

Our Student Editorial Board and the PASOS Network will review all submissions; Notification of acceptance will be sent out by **February 16, 2023**.

Scan for Online Form

If you have any questions or need further information, feel free to contact Maria Villanueva, Program Coordinator, PASOS Network, by email at mvillanueval@dom.edu.

PASOS NETWORK

IN THE NEWS

Ere Rendon, Vice President of Immigrant Justice at The Resurrection Project, spoke with Chicago Tribune’s Laura Presa on the campaign towards getting work permits for all immigrants. Click [here](#) to read the full article.

Ere Rendon, Vice President of Immigrant Justice at The Resurrection Project, spoke with WGN’s Adelante Chicago host, Lourdes Duarte on the work permits for all campaign and the successful rally in Washington D.C. Click here to [view](#) the full interview.

To promote an event or to share an update about your program and services,
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