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In 2004, a group of concerned citizens came together to discuss solutions to the housing crisis impacting our community. Ten years later, and a couple of new names and revised mission statements, the South Carolina Community Loan Fund continues to address the issue of affordable housing and community development in underserved communities across our state.

We invite you to take a look at our [accomplishments](#) over the past ten years, and to join us as we celebrate this milestone throughout 2015.

Introducing Our New Board Members

We are pleased to announce the following individuals will join our board in 2015:

Quinetha Frasier
Development Officer, Trident United Way

Quinetha is a national trainer, strategist and speaker whose focus is creating financially sustainable charitable organizations through earned income and 'smart' public/private partnerships. *On why she's interested in serving on our board: "I look forward to supporting the mission of the SCLF, as it funds true community development and housing in our state's most vulnerable communities-especially rural."*

Andrew Hewitt
President, The Paramount Group-SC

Andrew was born and raised in Cincinnati, OH. He moved to South Carolina to attend Clemson University where he received his BS degree in Construction Science and Management. Upon graduating, he moved to Charleston, SC working in infrastructure construction before transitioning into property management and real estate development. *On why he's interested in serving on the board: "In a time of rapid growth and change for Charleston, I am looking forward to the opportunity to help work towards providing affordable housing solutions for Charlestonians new and old."*

Carolina Mascarin
Housing Counselor, Charleston Trident Urban League

Carolina is a native of Bogota, Colombia, and moved to the United States 12 years ago. She has a Bachelors Degree in Social Communications and Journalism, a degree in Administration and New Journalism from Universidad Los Libertadores in Bogota Colombia, and an ESL certificate from Long Island University. *On why she's interested in serving on the board: "I have a unique perspective on the challenges that face the Hispanic community and hope that my participation on the board will bring new opportunities for this underserved group."*

Frank Scott
Director of Public Housing and Maintenance, Charleston
County Housing and Redevelopment Authority

Frank brings with him fifteen years of experience with various housing programs, including public housing, low income tax credit properties, and transitional/supportive housing. He holds an undergraduate degree in management as well as various certifications in housing programs. *On why he's interested in serving on the board: "My desire is driven by my passion to connect families with opportunities that will increase their quality of life. My aim is to empower and educate citizens with valuable information about our community and the many resources available to them."*

**Jennie Stephens
Executive Director,
Center for Heirs' Property Preservation**

Jennie brings with her 25 years of experience in the non-profit field, including positions as a fiscal and program director. She received a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from the College of Charleston, a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the University of Charleston/University of SC, and, most recently, earned a PhD in Organizational Leadership from Regent University in Virginia Beach. *On why she's interested in serving on the board: "My passion in life is to help people help themselves and SCCLF is supporting the development of vibrant, sustainable communities in which these empowered individuals live, work and play."*

Housing Development 101

This 6-week course will teach the basics of developing affordable housing to include new construction and rehabilitation rental and homeownership projects. Topics include budgeting, contractor relations, and property management. This workshop is free, but [registration](#) is required.

To learn more about this workshop and our technical assistance program, please contact [Debby Waid](#).

**New Market Tax Credits Course
March 18-20, 2015
Charleston, SC**

Join us as we host a New Market Tax Credits course on March 18-20 in Charleston. The [National Development Council's](#) three-day course will take participants from the basics -what NMTCs are and how they are allocated - through the all-important legal and regulatory parameters, to the financing models that work best and maximize NMTC benefits. For more information and to register, please visit our website.

The 2015 SC Nonprofit Summit is right around the corner at the Wild Dunes Resort on Isle of Palms, February 9 - 11. This year's Summit will offer 10 thought-provoking workshops that will provide opportunities to explore **The Five Practices of Exemplary Leadership®** and apply them to your own leadership and your organization. The Summit will also offer many concurrent sessions on tactical issues including fundraising, marketing, governance and more. Click [here](#) to learn more and to register.

Does Your Organization Need A Loan to finance acquisition, predevelopment, infrastructure, construction, renovation, leasehold improvements, machinery and equipment, working capital, or permanent financing for affordable housing, a healthy food wholesale or retail outlet, a community facility, or a small business in South Carolina?

SCCLF provides loans to non-profit, for profit and government agencies working to revitalize and transform South Carolina by financing projects that: 1) provide affordable housing; 2) create access to food and essential services; 3) increase the quality and availability of neighborhood facilities; 4) create employment opportunities; 5) attract additional investment; and 6) strengthen the social and economic fabric of the community.

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