

Lincoln Park Community Services Announces First Latino Executive Director

Rodrigo Carrillo leads the expansion of homelessness prevention services in new facility

The Board and staff of Lincoln Park Community Services (LPCS) are pleased to announce our new Executive Director, Rodrigo Carrillo. LPCS and our partners and volunteers have been working for over 34 years to link people experiencing homelessness with needed resources including 35 interim housing beds at 600 W. Fullerton. This spring, we will move into a new facility at 1521 N. Sedgwick that will include 48 interim housing beds, drop-in services, and 20 permanent supportive housing units.

Rodrigo Carrillo has the mix of passion, experience, and skills to lead LPCS during our move and expansion. He is a first-generation citizen, passionate about lifting up under-resourced communities, and empowering individuals to make sustainable life changes. A proud member of the LGBTQ community, Carrillo brings a unique perspective as we make a historic move to our new building.

Carrillo recently served as the National Partner Relations Manager with the American Red Cross National Headquarters. He spent 5 months deployed to the Texas Gulf Coast, providing recovery and financial assistance to more than 34,000 Latino households in the wake of Hurricane Harvey. He established relationships with national Latino-serving agencies to ensure services were delivered to vulnerable populations, including those who are undocumented.

Previously as the Director of Operations for the Chicago nonprofit La Casa Norte, Carrillo connected young people and families confronting homelessness with the resources and housing they needed.

During his time as Deputy Clerk for the City of Chicago, he served on the team that created and implemented the Chicago City Key ID program for all 2.7 million Chicago residents. The program reduces barriers for individuals who have difficulty accessing government-issued identification.

As LPCS celebrates the completion of our new facility, we are excited to have Rodrigo's energy and leadership to build upon LPCS's legacy and to strengthen collaborations with community partners, volunteers, and Guests to help meet the increasing demand for high quality services for individuals experiencing homelessness in Chicago.

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