



OAKLEY SQUARE

Chicago, IL

Oakley Square is a thriving affordable housing community grounded by its Chicago roots and innovative partnerships with many area organizations. The Community Builders, Inc. acquired the weathered property in 2011, made significant structural improvements to the apartments and began providing educational, youth development, financial, and workforce opportunities. Today, Oakley Square residents access the supports they need to overcome barriers to achieve their goals for individual and family success.

FIVE-YEAR OBJECTIVES

WHO WE ARE

HOME TO 560 RESIDENTS LIVING IN 246 UNITS

80 PERCENT OF HOUSEHOLDS EARN LESS THAN \$10,000 PER YEAR

96 PERCENT OF ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE

OVER \$97,000 OF IN-KIND DONATIONS FOR RESIDENT PROGRAMS AND OPPORTUNITIES

ON-SITE PARTNERS INCLUDE YMCA, RUSH UNIVERSITY, CHICAGO CARES, TUMBLING FOR SUCCESS, THE CHICAGO SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL PSYCHOLOGY, TARGET AREA DEVELOPMENT CORP, B-GIRLS INC, REVEL CARES AND LADDER UP

Oakley Square renews and restores our pride by cultivating our talents and building a strong community.

Janeen Allen, Oakley Square resident

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



60% of Young Adults Ages 16-25 Working or in School

- Afterschool activities
- Leadership development and conflict resolution for young adults
- Healthy nutrition cooking demonstration classes
- Summer internships on-site and through partners

EDUCATION



75% of Children Under Age Six Enrolled in Quality Pre-K

- Information and advocacy about pathways to quality pre-school programs
- Family-oriented social and youth leadership networking opportunities
- Homework assistance with college graduates
- STEM programs
- Development of an on-site early education center

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



5% of Households Securing Earned Income Annually

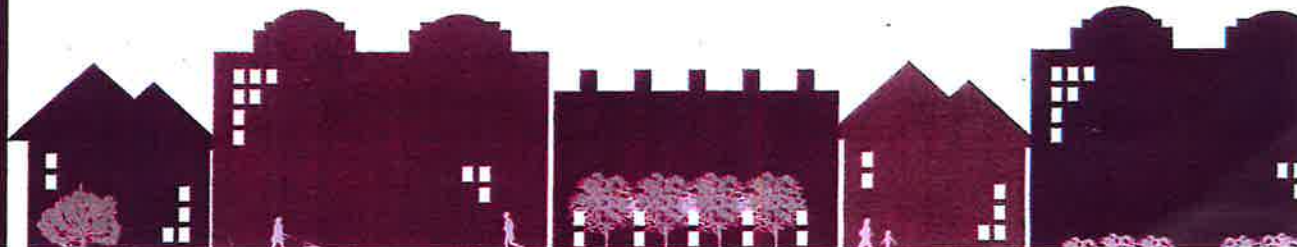
- GED and continuing education classes
- Individual career coaching and support
- Referrals to industry-specific skills trainings
- Partnerships with area employers and connections to job opportunities

ASSET BUILDING



50% of Residents with Bank Accounts

- Monthly financial education workshops
- Junior education savings account club through PNC Bank
- On-site credit report analysis, credit repair and budgeting
- Free tax preparation and filing through partnership with Ladder Up
- Connecting residents with opportunities to open checking and savings accounts



WE ARE THE COMMUNITY BUILDERS

The Community Builders, Inc. (TCB) is the leading nonprofit developer of mixed-income housing in the United States. Our mission is to build and sustain strong communities where people of all incomes can achieve their full potential. We realize our mission by developing, financing and operating high-quality housing and implementing neighborhood self-help initiatives to drive economic opportunity for our residents. Since 1964, we have constructed or preserved over 320 affordable and mixed-income housing developments and secured over \$2.5 billion in project financing from public and private sources. Today, we own or manage more than 10,000 apartments in 14 states and Washington, D.C. We are headquartered in Boston with regional hubs in Chicago and Washington, D.C.

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COMMUNITY LIFE

Community Life is TCB's place-based model that uses stable housing as a platform for residents and neighborhoods to achieve success, with measurable outcomes and delivery in four practice areas: youth development, education, workforce development and asset building.

Families and seniors with low incomes and intergenerational poverty face a host of challenges to getting ahead. Our unique access to households of all incomes allows us to meet people at home and connect them with resources tailored to their needs and assets.

We engage local partners whose unique expertise expands opportunities for success. We build on our strengths of connecting and supporting residents to access high quality programming. We leverage data and evidence to understand needs and develop effective strategies that improve educational, social and economic success for 5,200 residents, half of whom are children.

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