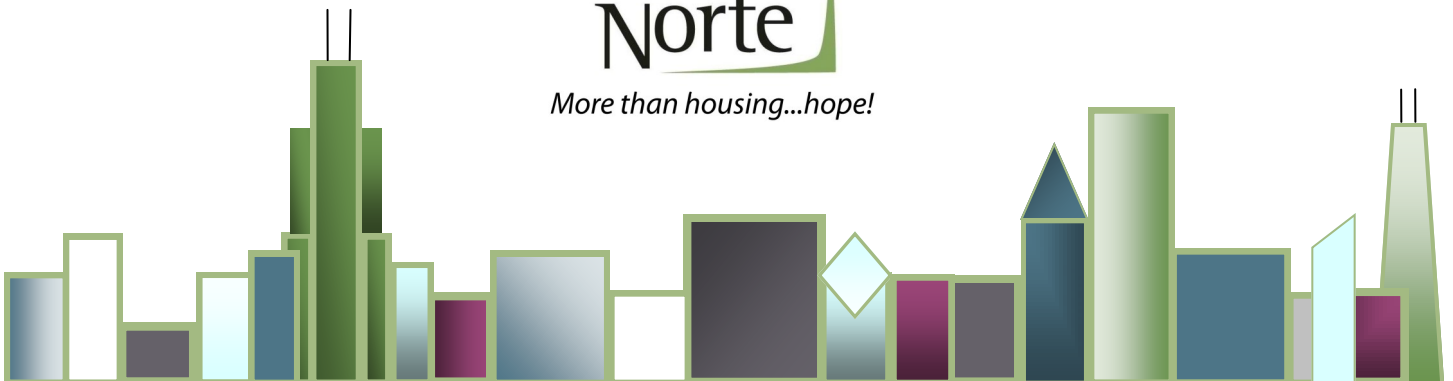# La Casa Norte

More than housing...hope!

BUILDING COMMUNITY
HOME BY HOME

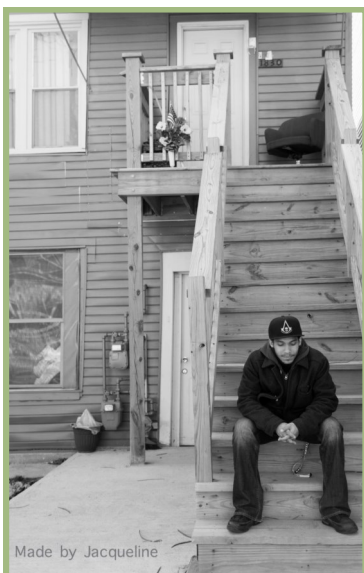## 2014 ANNUAL REPORT

Our Mission

La Casa Norte's mission is to serve youth and families confronting homelessness.

We provide access to stable housing and deliver comprehensive services that act as a catalyst to transform lives and communities.

In 2014, we served...

4,525 youth & families,

in 105 zip codes,
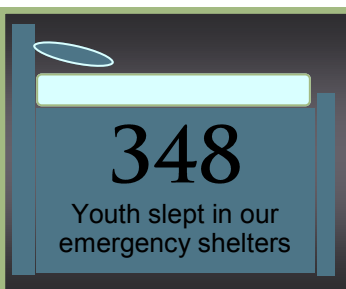#### throughout the Chicagoland area.

Jaime

"I was unstably housed and living on the streets in Chicago. While staying at a shelter, I had my belongings stolen from me. After a while, I could not tolerate the chaos any longer and decided that I would ride the trains through the night. I never felt safe and I never knew what to expect until I learned about the housing program at La Casa Norte."

Today, Jaime has his own apartment and since entering the program, has had the opportunity to go back to school.

In addition to being able to focus on his education, Jaime can now pursue his goals with dignity and looks forward to a positive future.

Made by Jacqueline

Jaime is one of thousands of youth and families that we have provided housing, supportive services, and the opportunity to transform their lives.

1,029
Individuals housed in apartments

348
Youth slept in our emergency shelters

34,676
Meals served to youth experiencing homelessness

454
Households prevented from homelessness

Housing & Support Services

More than a decade ago, La Casa Norte made a commitment to serve youth and families confronting homelessness in Chicago. By focusing on our client's unique needs, La Casa Norte has empowered over 25,000 people to achieve their goals and live a life free from poverty.

Ending poverty is no small task, but with skilled, culturally competent staff, La Casa Norte acts as a catalyst in transforming lives and communities. We provide our clients with access to emergency beds, transitional and supportive housing, drop-in centers, holistic case management, homeless prevention services, and food and nutrition counseling.

Today, more than ever, our youth and families are in dire need of access to stable housing and comprehensive services. We at La Casa Norte, believe that by equipping each client with the right tools we can end homelessness—one person at a time.

At La Casa Norte, we are providing more than housing and hope… we are building our community, home by home!

Patrice

After losing her housing, Patrice was forced to live in a shelter with her children. At the shelter she was referred to La Casa Norte where our staff assessed her needs and found she was eligible for Rapid Rehousing Assistance.

Through case management and advocacy, Patrice worked with our staff to help find an apartment for her and her family. Today they are housed and Patrice is excited that she has a safe, stable apartment that she and her children can call "home."

"I am now looking forward to what my future has to offer, it all started with having a home to call my own... *Thank you La Casa Norte!"*

596
Children saw our nutrition puppet show

100%
Supportive housing residents made progress on their goals

7,808
Nights of emergency shelter provided to youth

1,410
School supplies were distributed to students in the community

Every day, people just like you donate and volunteer at La Casa Norte to support our efforts to end homelessness!

You too can get involved by:

♦ Cleaning out your closet and donating clothing to support our clients.
♦ Picking up extra rolls of toilet paper or cleaning supplies and donate them to support clients settling into their new homes.
♦ Volunteering to cook a warm meal for youth in our shelters.
♦ Instead of birthday gifts, ask your friends to donate to La Casa Norte.

**To make an in-kind donation, contact info@lacasanorte.org
To volunteer, contact volunteer@lacasanorte.org**

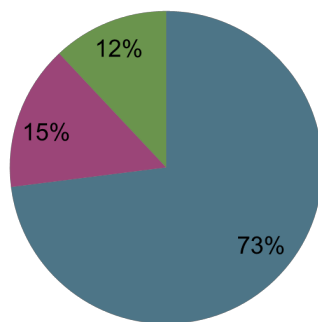**For more information or to donate online please visit:**

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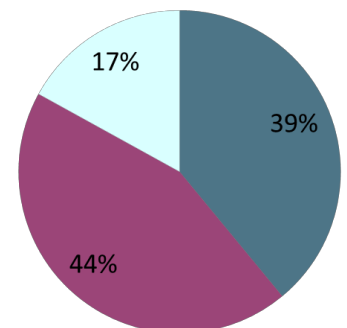www.lacasanorte.org

REVENUE

Government
$2,857,706

Foundations
$596,977

Corporations/
Individuals/
Other
$448,130

12%
15%
73%

EXPENSES

Community Programs
$1,496,657

Youth Programs
$1,723,649

Management & General
Development
$657,931

17%
39%
44%

* These reflect unaudited figures. For a full list of donors, please visit www.lacasanorte.org

405
People received workforce development services

729
People used our community computer lab

695
Households received life-skills or education services

7,014
Volunteer hours donated to our mission