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## LAWNDALE CHRISTIAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MARKS SIGNIFICANT MILESTONES AND UNVEILS VISION FOR COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION

**Chicago, November 2023** – Lawndale Christian Development Corporation (LCDC), a pioneering force in community development, is proud to announce a series of significant achievements and unveil its visionary roadmap for the future. Established in 1987, LCDC has been steadfast in its mission to eliminate health and wealth disparities in North Lawndale.

Under the leadership of Executive Director Richard Townsell, LCDC has successfully spearheaded initiatives that address the root causes of systemic poverty and structural racism. Reflecting on the organization's journey, Townsell stated, "LCDC has been a catalyst for positive change in North Lawndale. We've worked tirelessly to create affordable housing, empower residents, and build a foundation for lasting community wealth."

Deputy Director and Counsel Whitney Smith echoed this sentiment, saying, "Our commitment to justice and equity is unwavering. LCDC recognizes that the well-being of our community is deeply connected to economic opportunities and quality living conditions. We are proud of what we've achieved and remain dedicated to realizing our vision for a thriving North Lawndale."

### Achievements at a Glance:

- Successful Campaign for 1000 Homes in collaboration with United Power for Action and Justice.
- City partnership securing the commitment to develop 250 lots and TIF funds for the first 109 homes.

**Vision for the Future:** LCDC envisions a North Lawndale that is economically sound, revitalized, and inclusive. The organization remains committed to community-driven development, actively engaging residents, and leveraging external resources to support its transformative initiatives.

**About LCDC:** Lawndale Christian Development Corporation is a faith-driven organization founded in 1987, dedicated to addressing social issues, eliminating disparities, and building community wealth in North Lawndale.

