

SECTION 3 RESIDENT STORY:

Let's Get to Work!



ROSALINA'S STORY

Rosalina Aguilar lives in Ramona Gardens public housing community. She was looking for a job to support her three children when she saw a HACLA flyer advertising jobs for liaisons with KDG Construction Consulting, a HACLA vendor. The opportunity was made possible through HACLA's Section 3 Program and KDG's commitment to comply with Section 3. KDG recognized Rosalina's talent, work ethic and potential after hiring her. As their needs grew, KDG promoted Rosalina to a permanent Project Assistant, a position she will hold with KDG beyond expiration of the original contract with HACLA.



"I'm glad that there are programs like Section 3 to motivate and give residents hope. Sometimes, all we need is a chance that could change our lives forever. I can't thank KDG, HACLA and its Section 3 Program enough. It sure has changed my life for the better!"

Rosalina Aguilar



Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, requires that economic opportunities generated by certain U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) financial assistance for housing and community development programs shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be given to low and very low income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing, and to businesses that provide economic opportunities for these persons.

HACLA has developed Section 3 Business and Resident Registries to assist businesses and residents to gain employment and economic opportunities.

SECTION 3 RESIDENTS REGISTRY

HACLA maintains a database of qualified employment-ready Section 3 Residents. Residents take assessment tests, go through a skills review and are provided resources to be employment-ready. Interested residents are encouraged to contact Taisha Osby at (213) 252-5387 to enroll in the registry. Residents from the Registry are identified and referred to contractors for employment opportunities.

SECTION 3 BUSINESS REGISTRY

Businesses who wish to do business with HACLA, and to provide economic opportunities to HACLA residents are encouraged to contact the Section 3 Compliance Administrator at (213) 252-1865 or via e-mail at section3@hacla.org.

Additional information about the Section 3 program is available at www.hacla.org/section3.