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Dear Friends,

Praxis has been providing hope for the homeless for over 15 years. Today, we have serious concerns for our brothers and sisters living on the streets. I share these concerns with you now because, if you are reading my heartfelt words, I know you are a person who cares.

While the world will weather this economic storm we find ourselves in, experience tells us its impact will be the harshest for those who have the least. In the United States, that's the chronically homeless – the great majority of whom suffer from at least one or more of the following illnesses: mental illness, substance abuse or HIV/AIDS.

Praxis Housing is their shelter from the storm, and in the challenging months to come, we need your help more than ever.

For the first time last winter, Praxis Housing was able to open its doors, free of charge, to a small number of homeless men and women who would have otherwise spent a freezing night on the streets. Now, we are struggling to find a way to be able to do the same for winters to come – but even if we make it, there will still not be nearly enough rooms to house all of New York's burgeoning cold and hungry homeless population.

Virtually all supportive housing is run by non-profit organizations such as Praxis, and we receive most of our funding from the government. In New York City, we have already seen plans to drastically cut state-funded housing programs, which will force many men and women who depend on these programs to live on the streets. In addition, the homeless are going hungry as funding and donations for soup kitchens and community pantries are disappearing. Until recently, the non-profit community has made incremental progress in solving homelessness. Without increased public support, however, we will lose ground. And, more importantly, we will lose our brothers and sisters who could have been returned to productive lives.

In this most difficult period, please support our efforts to help the homeless through volunteering or contributing to Praxis Housing.

I promise that your contribution of time or money will make a huge difference in the life – and future – of an otherwise forsaken human being.

Many thanks,

Svein Jorgensen  
Acting Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer

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DANIEL  
33 years old  
Praxis Resident, 2 months

## Section I

# PRAXIS HOUSING IS AN OPEN DOOR

Ask those who have lived in Praxis housing to name the most important aspect of their transition from homelessness to independent living and you'll hear this sentiment from current and former client residents, many times over.

Over 15 years of pioneering transitional housing for homeless men and women living with HIV/AIDS, Praxis has fiercely defended every individual's right to dignity, compassion and respect.

Our commitment begins at first contact: **no man or woman is turned away.**

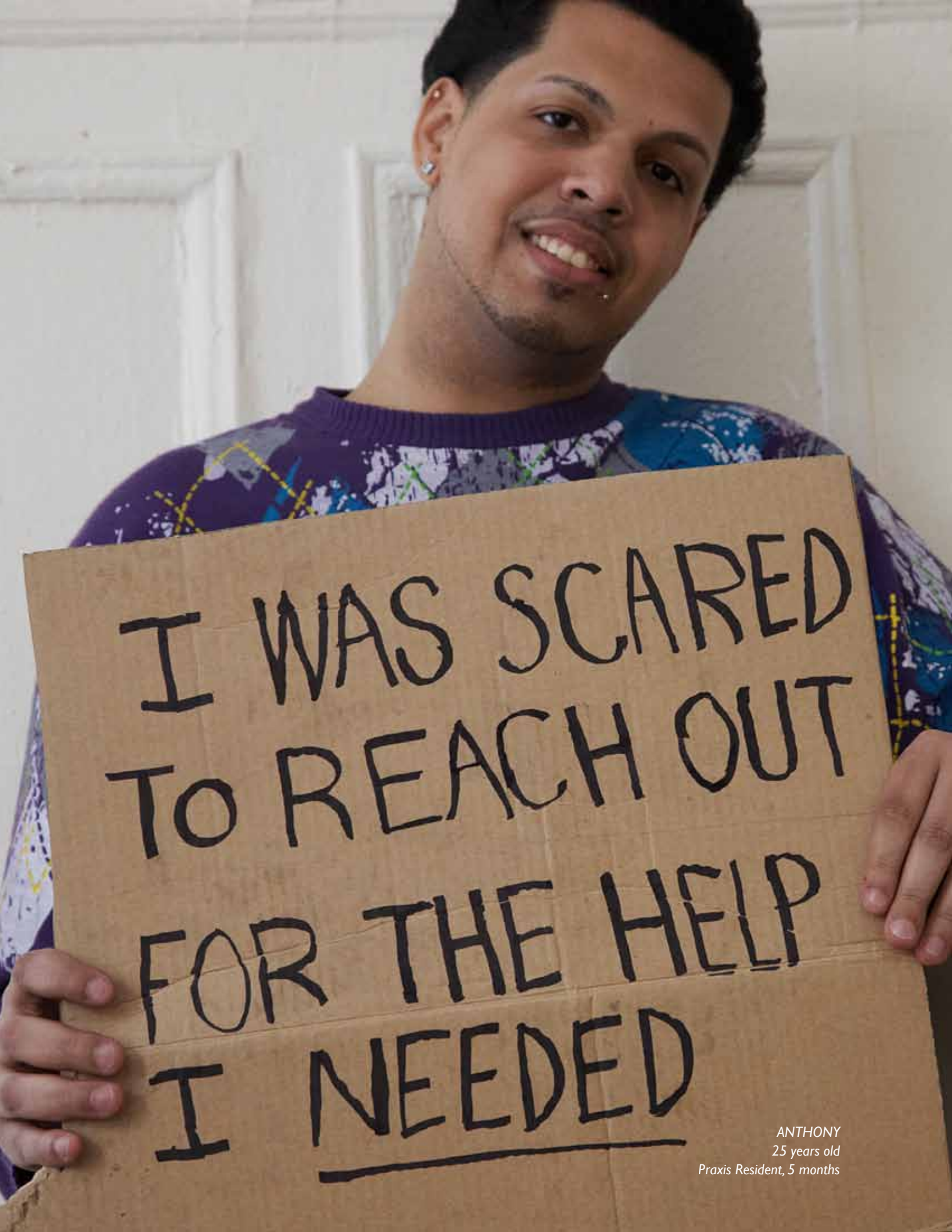
We look at the needs of every single homeless person who approaches us for shelter and help. We provide customized residential, health, social and vocational services, listen to their hopes and help them take steps to fulfill their dreams.

Today, our mission is stronger than ever:

To bring sustainable transformation to homeless men and women living with HIV/AIDS, physical and mental illness, chemical dependencies, histories of incarceration and other special needs through clean, safe transitional and permanent housing, social services and a harm reduction philosophy. We transform lives and communities by helping our clients and staff journey from hope to home through empowerment, stability and, ultimately, independence.

### WHAT IS PRAXIS TODAY?

- Praxis is New York City's largest provider of transitional housing for homeless people with HIV/AIDS and is one of the city's lowest-cost/highest-service solutions.
- Praxis manages four residences, with three located in Manhattan and one in Brooklyn. We shelter over 400 people each night in clean, safe, secure buildings.
- Praxis offers 25-30 hands-on workshops and support groups each week, covering topics from harm reduction, treatment adherence and coping skills to addiction counseling. Clients and staff meet in small groups to discuss their futures.
- Since its inception, Praxis has placed over 1,250 individuals in permanent, sustainable, safe housing.



ANTHONY  
25 years old  
Praxis Resident, 5 months

## Section II

# HIV/AIDS HAS NOT GONE AWAY

Praxis sees an epidemic that was once at the forefront of both global and local awareness quietly slipping out of public attention. In the United States, 40,000 to 56,000 people are diagnosed with HIV every year. New York City has one of the highest rates of AIDS in the country – more than Los Angeles, San Francisco, Miami and Washington, D.C. combined. It's our epidemic and it's on the rise. Though the spotlight has dimmed, the problem has not.

Each night, over 38,000 men, women and children sleep in New York City shelters. Thousands more sleep on the streets, and still more are uncounted as "hidden homeless," moving from tunnels to couches to subways to doorways – all under the radar of the city. As the economy slows and joblessness sharply increases, the number of homeless people will rise. The most vulnerable of New Yorkers, our homeless population has one of the highest occurrences of HIV/AIDS – around 38% – yet the least access to treatment.

### OUR VULNERABLE HOMELESS OF NYC

Men and women who live on the streets are terribly susceptible to behaviors that lead to HIV/AIDS. They are exposed to and engage in high-risk behavior, often to fuel drug habits that let them escape the daily distress of homelessness. These behaviors include intravenous drug use, needle sharing and prostitution – major causes of HIV transmission.

Crime, too, comes from desperation. Those without hope can turn to dangerous, violent means – whether it's to support a habit or simply find a meal. The longer we allow this population to remain desperate, the less safe our local neighborhoods and boroughs can be.

HIV/AIDS is not their only threat; many suffer from mental illness, substance addiction, undiagnosed diseases and depression. A large number have histories of incarceration or are undocumented, further complicating efforts to find work or a sustainable living situation. City shelters are dangerous places with no privacy and little comfort. Housing programs like Praxis Housing are the safest (and sometimes only) option many of these men and women have.

**HIV/AIDS SERVICES  
ADMINISTRATION (HASA)**

HASA provides benefits, including enhanced rental assistance and other life-saving services, to all poor New Yorkers living with HIV/AIDS. Currently, only people with an AIDS diagnosis (a T-cell count of 200 or lower or two opportunistic infections) are eligible for those benefits, a distinction that has prompted some to let themselves get sick in order to qualify for HASA. HASA refers homeless adults with HIV/AIDS to Praxis for housing and other supportive services.

**SHRINKING RESOURCES**

Today, there is a lack of community support for homeless housing programs and, in some cases, outright opposition. Some believe transitional housing programs hurt communities, when, in fact, they make them safer, cleaner and healthier. Changing this misconception about transitional housing programs is crucial to Praxis.

Meanwhile, the economy is in decline and, with it, available government funding from organizations like HASA (HIV/AIDS Services Administration). Although Praxis is a strong organization, we are dangerously over-dependent on HASA. Nearly 75% of our funding comes from it. With these cutbacks, Praxis will have to dramatically reduce resources and services at a time when they're in greater need than ever before. In addition, New York City zoning is increasingly competitive, which makes it difficult for Praxis to offer rent-free rooms or to expand its permanent housing programs.

**Praxis needs your help to keep our homeless New Yorkers suffering with illness out of the dark – especially in these most difficult days.**



CERON  
36 years old  
Praxis Resident, 5 months

# KEYS TO CHANGE

## WHAT PROGRAMS DOES PRAXIS OFFER?

- Emergency Support Transitional Housing
- Independent Living Skills Development
- Health Services
- HIV/AIDS Treatment
- Adherence Education
- Crisis Intervention
- Case Management Services
- Expanded Syringe Access Program (ESAP)
- Opiate Overdose Prevention Education
- Hepatitis Education and Referrals
- House Placement Assistance
- Educational and Support Group Services
- Workforce Development Program

*“There is a whole network of people that surround you with help and support. If a person hasn’t been working, or whatever, they understand that you are not a bad person because of it. People at Praxis are compassionate and understanding.” – Ralph, Praxis client and Peer Educator*

## HARM REDUCTION

Praxis knows its resident clients and their needs; some of our dedicated staff members were once homeless—or Praxis clients—themselves. From the first meeting, our staff is hands-on, walking our clients through the stages of their journey with close, personal attention and genuine understanding.

One of the most important methods we employ at Praxis is harm reduction. This philosophy holds that those who engage in high-risk behaviors like intravenous drug use will continue to do so unless they are helped to gradually transition out of these habits. It’s a practical approach based on statistical evidence that abstinence programs fail more often than they succeed. We allow those engaging in high-risk acts to have a roof over their heads.

Taking high-risk behavior off the streets reduces harm in two ways. First, local communities become safer as crime, prostitution and drug use are contained. Second, we are able to treat our clients in a controlled environment where we can give them compassionate help and real treatment options through one-on-one conversations – reducing the harm that they can do to themselves.

## CLIENT-CENTRIC HOUSING

*“One thing that’s good about Praxis is that it’s not like any other shelter. It’s not like you go there and sleep side-by-side with people, next to people. You have your own room, your own key. That’s one of their mottos.” – Mykel, former Praxis client*

Upon entry to our residences, Praxis clients receive clothing, food and emergency medical care, if necessary, and are settled into clean, safe rooms. We believe that giving clients a space and key of their own is the first step to empowering them to build better futures. We conduct thorough, one-on-one interviews to assess their health needs. Clients meet with doctors who will be their primary care providers while they are at Praxis and later, as they reenter the community, to help them maintain healthy lifestyles.

We are able to house our clients for 180 days, during which they have access to our family of healthcare providers, counselors, coaches and supervisors. Many clients find permanent housing before the conclusion of their 180-day stay. Sadly, others do not complete our programs and are discharged. Reasons for discharge can include non-compliance with program rules or non-payment of rent. In the coming years, we aim to build stronger, more cohesive programs to reinforce our success rate of placing clients in permanent housing.

## INDIVIDUAL VOCATIONAL TRAINING

Our clients have access to vocational training support groups with the purpose of helping them find jobs that suit their skills. We believe that a customized approach to job assignments means not only a far better placement rate for our clients but also a happier, more fulfilling (and sustainable) future.

## RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS

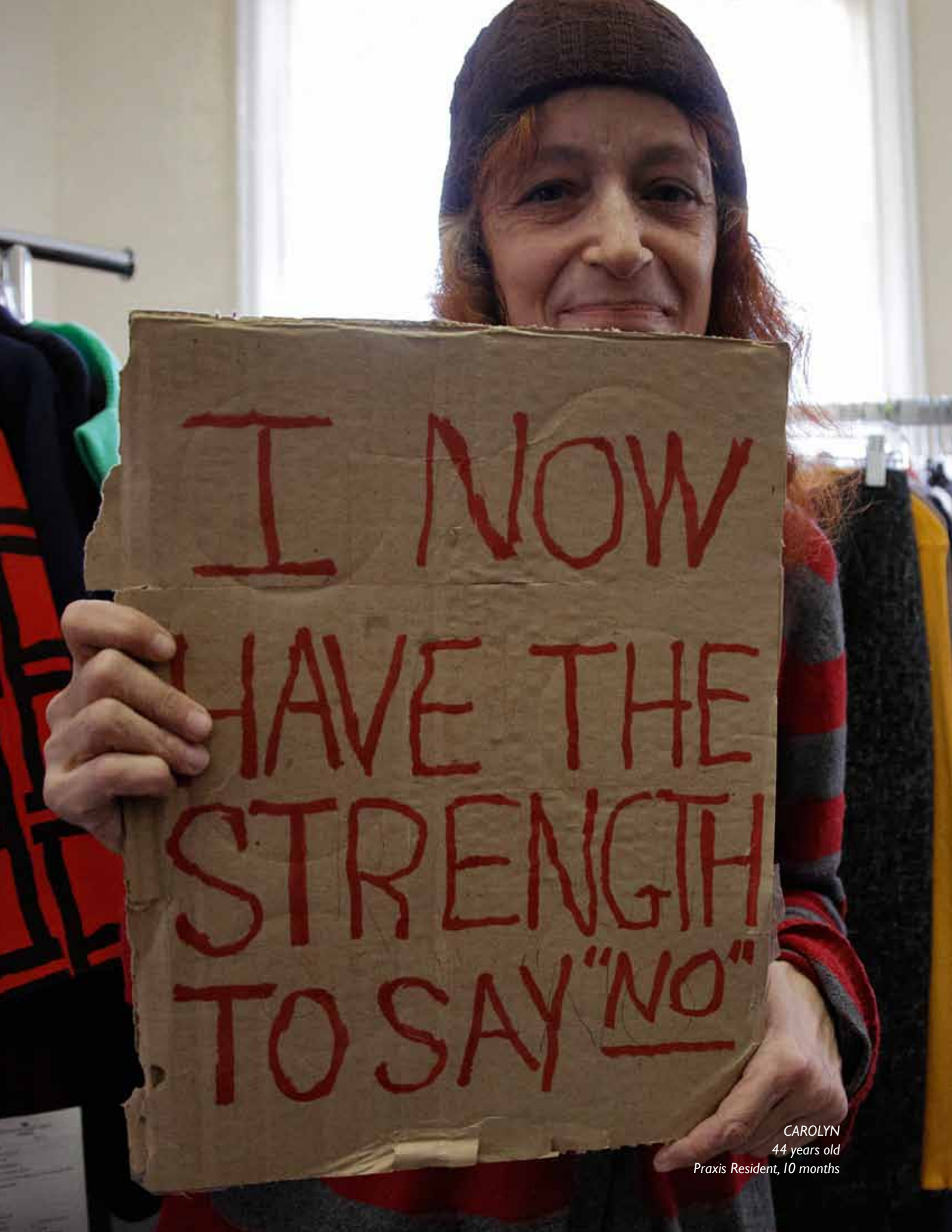
We are proud to be able to take our clients on recreational outings that their current situations would never allow. Whether a fishing trip off of City Island, an apple-picking experience in upstate New York or a day at a theme park, it’s often the first time our residents reel in a fishing line, taste fruit off of a tree or ride a roller coaster. These excursions build morale among our clients and create bonds between our residents and staff. Beyond that, they teach clients to trust their fellow residents—something that years on the streets has trained them not to do. These outings and relationships offer our clients encouraging and affirming incentives to build better lives for themselves.

## PROGRESS TRACKERS

We have state-of-the-art databases that allow us to treat our clients in an effective way and in compliance with New York State Department of Health regulations.

**AIRS** (AIDS Institute Reporting System) is a fully automated tracking, reporting and billing system designed to meet the reporting needs for the New York State Department of Health-AIDS Institute and its contractors in response to federal and state reporting requirements. These contractors represent a broad range of provider types, from primary care clinics to multi-service community-based organizations that support a range of services, including case management, medical and health-related care, substance abuse services, and mental health services.

**Foothold AWARDS:** The AWARDS application is composed of three main components used for its data management: General Information, Chart Records and Administration. Each component contains several related modules that are used to perform various executive, fiscal, operational, and/or program services tasks.



CAROLYN  
44 years old  
Praxis Resident, 10 months

# FROM HOPE TO HOME: THE PRAXIS JOURNEY

The Praxis journey is based on the fundamental principle that harm reduction – when employed in a client-centric way, works. Our clients have diverse needs, and our staff is a family – made up of many men and women who were once homeless themselves. From the moment a client embarks on their journey home, Praxis staff members are with them, every step of the way.

## OUR CLIENTS

Today, over 1,300 men and women are living under Praxis roofs. Over 20% of our residents are Hispanic, 2% are white, 78% are black and the remainder are Asian, Native American, multi-racial or of unknown racial descent. 78% of our clients are male, 21% are female and 1% is transgender. Nearly all suffer from HIV/AIDS.

## OUR CLIENTS ARE EMPOWERED

When a homeless person approaches Praxis, he or she is welcomed as an individual. In many cases, it is the first time he or she has been accepted with dignity and personal respect. It's our first offering of empowerment to the disempowered.

## OUR CLIENTS ARE TRANSFORMED (EVERY DAY)

From vocational training to motivational support, we create the potential for real and lasting transformation. As we help clients learn how to shift away from unhealthy behavior, we start to see real results. Opiate-related overdoses decrease. Healthy habits increase. Adherence to medication programs increases – and, as a result, clients become more viable for employment and independent living, day by day.

## OUR CLIENTS ARE SUSTAINED

The successful Praxis journey ends not just when a client has transitioned out of harmful behavior and into independent, drug-free living, but when he or she moves to permanent housing, equipped with life skills to build a sustainable, stable future.

### PRAXIS CLIENTS SPECIAL NEEDS

HIV/AIDS

Hepatitis

TB

Alcohol Abuse

Drug Abuse

Physical Disability

Domestic Violence Victimization

Mental Illness

# OUR CHALLENGES FOR THE FUTURE

## OUR VISION:

- to increase the number of Praxis transitional housing units in New York City.
- to increase annual revenues to build stronger, more comprehensive support programs.
- to offer better resources to our clients – from clothing to food to emergency nutritional supplements.
- to build permanent housing options for our clients who are ready to move on to independent, sustainable lives.

The economy is in a steady decline, and foundation grants and individual donors follow the market. Meanwhile, jobs are disappearing and American soldiers are returning from war to find no available work – which means that homelessness will certainly rise in the coming years. We are at a precarious turning point, and we need your help.

## FRAMING A NEW FUTURE

More than ever, we are working hard to distinguish ourselves from other providers with innovative support programs. By 2013, we aim to be the most effective transitional housing organization in the country. And like any business endeavor, we need money to raise money.

Praxis is proud to have one of the lowest-cost housing models in New York City. Homeless men and women with no place to turn often end up in shelters, shoulder to shoulder with hundreds of other homeless, in jail, or worse, in the emergency room. It's a terrible cost to humanity in New York, and it's a significant cost to the tax-paying public.

Take a moment to consider a comparison of costs to our community:

### EMERGENCY SHELTER COSTS IN NEW YORK PER PERSON PER DAY



JASMIN  
Praxis Staff since 2006

### YOUR DONATION TURNS HOPE INTO HOME

Your donation not only puts a roof over the most prone populations in New York City, it also offers a better chance for a stable, independent future than all of these options combined. Praxis has made great strides growing as a provider of transitional housing and support services but we don't want to stop there. As one of the organizations working to fulfill Mayor Bloomberg's 5-year plan to end homelessness in New York City, Praxis plans to expand its operations and is actively seeking to acquire buildings that will be dedicated to permanent supportive housing. In this current financial climate, the numbers of homeless individuals are increasing exponentially. We want to be able to provide stable, permanent housing not only for those with HIV, but also to families and veterans, both of which need help. With your financial support, we will continue to grow and provide services, proving that there is hope for the chronically homeless.



Your \$50 donation will house and care for one homeless client for a day in our residences.

Your \$100 donation will provide a housekeeping and cleaning kit.

Your \$200 donation will pay to fuel the van that transports our clients in their permanent housing searches.

Your \$1,200 donation will furnish an entire room that will safely house many clients over many years to come.

## OUR KEY PARTNERS AND OUR SUPPORTERS

Praxis has partnered with more than 50 organizations to provide quality services to our clients. We'd like to express our gratitude to our charitable partners:

**ACRIA** (AIDS Community Research Initiative of America) provides training and up-to-date literature handouts for our staff and residents.

**REFERRAL AND ASSESSMENT TEAM (OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES)** provides mental health assessments, interventions, follow-up care and escort services for MICA, and other diagnosed mentally ill residents.

**CITY HARVEST** provides food safety handling training for both consumers and staff and distributes canned goods and perishable food items to our residents.

**CITIWIDE HARM REDUCTION** offers a wide variety of outreach services and care to homeless and low income substance abusers living with and at risk for HIV/AIDS.

**EXPONENTS/ARRIVE PROGRAM** provides extensive vocational and life skills training for our peer educators through an eight-week training cycle program called Peer Training Initiative.

**GOD'S LOVE WE DELIVER** Meals Program provides dietary, nutritional assessments and daily meal deliveries for homebound people living with HIV/AIDS.

**HARLEM UNITED** provides adult day treatment services, including comprehensive medical and dental services.

**PROJECT SAMARITAN INC.** provides adult day treatment services.

**PROJECT RENEWAL** provides vocational training (such as culinary arts) for residents.

**LEGAL ACTION CENTER** offers HIPAA & Article 27 compliance training and resources.

PRAXIS GRATEFULLY  
RECOGNIZES OUR  
CORPORATE AND  
PRIVATE PARTNERS

Bed Bath & Beyond

GAP Inc.

The Massage Therapy  
Foundation

Poets & Writers, Inc.

Shabby Chic

Taproot Foundation

# CITY, STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING

## PRAXIS MANIFESTO

We defend each Praxis client's right to dignity, compassion and respect.

We believe that service to our clients comes before everything else.

We recognize the unique potential of every man and woman.

We invest in the personal development of our staff.

We are good neighbors: we bring safety, security and services to our communities.

We enforce the highest level of ethics and integrity in everything we do.

We pledge our commitment to effective, efficient use of our funders' generous donations.

The mission of Praxis is supported by New York City, state and federal funders:

### CITY

New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)  
 NY/NY III Congregate Supportive Housing Program  
 Public Health Solutions  
 Treatment Adherence Program (TAC)  
 Injection Drug User Health Alliance (IDUHA)  
 Expanded Syringe Access Program (ESAP)  
 New York City Human Resources Administration (HRA)  
 HIV/AIDS Services Administration (HASA)

### STATE

New York State Department of Health (DOH)  
 AIDS Institute (AI)  
 New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA)

### FEDERAL

United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)  
 McKinney Supportive Housing Program

# FINANCIALS

PRAXIS HOUSING INITIATIVES, INC.

Statements of Activities

For the years ended June 30, 2008, 2007 and 2006

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
OPERATING REVENUE			
Government contracts	\$ 4,755,262	\$ 4,449,375	\$ 4,032,547
Rental income - per diem <sup>1</sup>	4,928,290	4,834,982	4,317,987
Rental income - commercial	27,200	21,000	21,000
Grants and contributions	8,450	16,052	5,100
In-kind contributions	432,760	159,500	96,500
Other revenue	29,232	19,256	20,580
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	<u>\$ 10,181,194</u>	<u>\$ 9,500,165</u>	<u>\$ 8,493,714</u>
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Program services	\$ 9,011,384	\$ 7,953,536	\$ 7,370,135
Management and administration	968,066	1,042,790	921,811
Fundraising and Development	140,998	260,875	170,184
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>\$ 10,120,448</u>	<u>\$ 9,257,201</u>	<u>\$ 8,462,130</u>
Change in Net Assets/Net Income (Deficit)	\$ 60,746	\$ 242,964	\$ 31,584
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	\$ 2,081,359	\$ 1,838,395	\$ 1,806,811
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	\$ 2,142,105	\$ 2,081,359	\$ 1,838,395

Notes:

<sup>1</sup>Rental income, in the form of per diem reimbursements, is primarily provided by the New York City Department of Homeless Services, the New York City Division of Housing and AIDS Services Agency (HASA) and Volunteers of America - Greater New York. Government contract revenue is provided by various government agencies at federal, New York State and city levels.

# OUR ORGANIZATION

## OUR STAFF

### Svein Jorgensen Acting Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer

Svein Jorgensen was born in Norway and raised in Ireland, and immigrated to the U.S. in 1986. Prior to taking a position at Praxis in 1996, he managed the Martha Washington Hotel, a 451-room hotel in midtown Manhattan, where he was responsible for operations and oversaw a staff of 34 and a budget of \$3 million. At Praxis, Svein supervises site managers, oversees facilities and ensures compliance with the New York City laws and regulations.

### Vashti Rampatsingh Director of Finance & Administration

Vashti Rampatsingh was born in Trinidad, joined Praxis in 2005 as Controller, and was later promoted to Director of Finance. Vashti's diverse background includes financial and administrative experience with corporations and not-for-profits, including East Coast Overseas, a steamship agency that handles chartering and ship repairs, and Human Rights First.

### Edwin Colon Director of Human Resources

Edwin Colon comes to us from his previous position as the Director of Human Resources for Catholic Charities Diocese of Brooklyn & Queens. Ed holds a BA in Communications and Education from Hunter College and has a Human Resources Certification from The Society for Human Re-

source Management and New York University. Ed has also worked as the Director of Human Resources for the Postgraduate Center for Mental Health and was a Personnel Officer at the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey.

### Florencio F. Cuevas Director of Operations

Florencio (Floyd) Cuevas joined Praxis in 1998. He has been in the field of addiction and HIV directive service for over 30 years, as an advocate of Harm Reduction Practice and activist for safe and affordable housing. Floyd oversees several departments within the agency.

### Catherine Abrams Grant Writer

Catherine Abrams came to Praxis after being a development consultant for numerous non-profit cultural and human services organizations in New York City. She has a Master's degree in education from New York University and a Certificate in Fundraising from the same institution. Catherine Abrams presents at national conferences on fundraising and grant writing and is a speaker at the annual New York Fundraising Summit.

## OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Steven B. Warren Board Director

Steven B. Warren received his Master's Degree from the Columbia School of Social Work and Social Administration in 1986. He served

as Director for the Services for the Underserved until 2001. He spearheaded Managed Care Innovations, Inc., worked as Program Planner at Project Return Foundation, Inc. and served as President of the Association for Community Living. Appointed by Governor Cuomo to the New York State Mental Health Services Council, he served two terms.

### Valerie Reyes-Jimenez Board Member

Valerie Reyes-Jimenez is a National AIDS activist and spokesperson. Valerie served on President Clinton's Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS and is a recognized expert and advocate in the field. She applies her skills and experiences to enhance the lives of others like herself who are living with HIV and AIDS. She provides direct representation, planning and consulting services in advocacy, public policy, grassroots organizing and lobbying.

### Charlie Garcia Board Member

Charlie Garcia is a native of Cuba. He started playing baseball at a very early age, traveling all over Cuba, and moved to New York City in 1955.

After playing catcher in the Pacific Coast League, Charlie went Paris to learn more about the restaurant business, then returned to New York to open two restaurants of his own. Charlie then moved to Binghamton, New York, where he became Executive Chef, supervising three hotels.

### John A. Lombardo CPA, Treasurer

John A. Lombardo received his Bachelor's degree in Accounting from Bernard M. Baruch College and his MBA in Finance from Wagner College, where he is currently a Professor of Accounting. John has worked as Auditor and in the tax department for Coopers & Lybrand, and later for Price Waterhouse. Today, he operates his own CPA practice and advises clients on financial, investment and tax-related matters.

### Michael E. Katz, Esq. Board Member

Michael E. Katz received his Bachelor's degree at University of Massachusetts at Amherst (BA, 1975) and later studied at the Boston University School of Law (JD, 1978). He has been admitted to the Bars of the States of New York, Connecticut and Georgia, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

After practicing law for nearly five years in Massachusetts, Michael moved to New York, where he has worked at his own law firm for 25 years.

### Persio Reyes Board Member

Persio Reyes is from the Dominican Republic, and has lived in New York for 24 years. Persio graduated with a BA in Economics and Management and Administration from the City College of New York, and coached basketball teams for the Dominican Youth Union.

Persio recently completed his MBA with a specialization in Information Management from the University of Phoenix.

### Mark Gustin Board Member

Mark served as a Healthcare Management Executive at Kings County Hospital Center from 1979 until his retirement in 2008. Mark is a member of the Board of Visitors, Long Island Developmental Disabilities Services Office, and is a panel member for the Surrogate Decision Making Program, State of NY Commission on Quality of Care for the Mentally Disabled.

Mark received Master's degrees in Professional Studies, Healthcare Administration from C.W. Post College; Business Administration and Management from the New York Institute of Technology; and a BS in Accounting from the New York Institute of Technology.

### ShaKing Alston Board Member

ShaKing Alston is Vice President, Metro New York Initiatives for the Council of Community Services in New York State, Inc. (CCSNYS). ShaKing was the Executive Director of the New York City Environmental Justice Alliance (NYCEJA).

ShaKing also has a wealth of experience with non-profits in communities throughout Massachusetts. He has worked for the National Parks Conservation Association and was Executive Director of the Boston-based Environmental Diversity Forum.

### Sabrina Prince Board Member

Sabrina works as a VP, Account Director at Saatchi & Saatchi Healthcare Advertising, where her clients include Astra-Zeneca, Boehringer-Ingelheim and Novo Nordisk.

In addition to her more than ten years of healthcare marketing experience, Sabrina has co-authored papers related to Alzheimer's and seizure disorders during her tenure at the Cornell University Medical College, Department of Neurobiology and has launched disease awareness campaigns including Fighting HIV through R&B and Diabetes Aware. Sabrina holds a BA in Neuroscience & Behavior from Wesleyan University.

### Dale Burnett Board Member

Dale Burnett brings with him experience from Ernst & Young LLP, The Blackstone Group and Merrill Lynch. Today, he is an investment principal in AIG Investments Global Real Estate private equity practice, where he executes investments in commercial real estate acquisitions, development and joint ventures in the United States, Eastern Europe and Russia.

# YOU CAN HELP

## DONATION INFORMATION

Please visit [praxishousing.org](https://praxishousing.org) to make your donation online, or mail your donation to:

Praxis Housing Initiatives  
17 Battery Place, Suite 307  
New York, NY 10004

All contributions to Praxis Housing, Inc. are tax-deductible. Thank you for your generosity.

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CINDY  
37 years old  
Praxis Resident, 4 months



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