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Supportive Housing Community Advocates Project Application

The Speak UP! Community Advocates Project provides an opportunity for individuals with lived experience of homelessness to educate the community about their experiences, the systems that impact this experience and the solutions offered through supportive housing.

Successful applicants will receive training in narrative development, public speaking, storytelling and advocacy in order to share their stories with the general public, policymakers, and funders as well as housing and service providers.

Public speaking, photography, and videotaping are essential components of the program; therefore, participants should have a level of comfort with this type of activity in order to engage in the program.

Training sessions and individual coaching sessions will be held at CSH's LA office in downtown Los Angeles (800 S. Figueroa St. #810, LA, CA 90017)

The program requires a time commitment to monthly, 4-6hr. trainings, as well as monthly one-on-one individual coaching sessions, for one year.

Please complete the application and email to Ann.English@csh.org

Applicant Name	
Age/Date of Birth	
Email Address	
Phone Number	
Home Address	
Referring PSH org	
PSH contact name	
PSH contact #	
PSH contact email	



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Length of time homeless/where?	
Public speaking comfort level 1-5 (1=very uncomfortable/5=supercomfortable)	
How long in PSH?	
Type of PSH (pbv/scattered site/otr)	
Currently employed or looking for wk? if emp what is your schedule?	
Currently in school or planning to enroll? If in school what is your schedule?	
List any commitments that could interfere with program participation (childcare,etc)	

Please mark any of the following, with which you have experience and are able to speak to – and briefly describe your experience (e.g. –lived in foster care from the age of 8 -16, etc.)

Foster care/ Child welfare system	
Domestic violence	
Mental illness	
Addiction	
Criminal justice system/ incarceration/Reentry	
Veteran	
Aging/ Senior Challenges	
Trauma	
Physical Disability and/or chronic illness	
Unemployment	
Discrimination	
Undocumented/Immigration	
Other:	



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Do you have previous experience as a public speaker? Y/N If yes, please describe:

What would you like to get out of this program/and what could you contribute?

Briefly describe the impact Supportive Housing has had on your life:

Why would you would be a good Community Advocate –