



# VIRTUAL COMMUNITY MEETING

DIANE YENTEL,  
PRESIDENT & CEO OF  
NATIONAL LOW  
INCOME HOUSING  
COALITION

**THURSDAY, APRIL 30 AT 6:30PM**

PLEASE JOIN US VIA PHONE AT 323.433.2102 W/  
CONF ID: 268 489 656#  
OR VIA WEB

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# AGENDA

## 1. This Week at the Trust

*Lee Raagas, Chief Executive Officer*

## 2. Handwashing Stations

## 3. Giving Tuesday Now

*Tuesday, May 5th, 2020*

## 4. A Conversation with Diane Yentel

*President and CEO of National Low Income Housing Coalition*

## 5. A Conversation with Raymond Peters

*Skid Row Housing Trust Resident*

## 6. Next Virtual Community Meeting

## 7. Q&A



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# Lee Raagas

Chief Executive Officer,  
Skid Row Housing Trust

# THIS WEEK AT THE TRUST



**What are residents and employees asking for?**

- Food
- Hygiene
- Security

**Strategic partnerships with community groups solidified to address needs:**

- Meals delivered
- Handwashing stations
- Masks, soap, flip flops

# HANDWASHING STATIONS





*Thank you,*  
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with your donation on #GivingTuesdayNow!

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# A Conversation with Diane Yentel

President and CEO of National Low  
Income Housing Coalition



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“When we are affordably housed, we are healthier, and our kids do better in school, and we earn more in our lifetimes; we even live longer. All of that results in not only tremendous benefits to individual people and families but communities and really to our entire country and our economy. That is how we think of it and make the case that housing is healthcare, and again it has never been so obvious as it is now.”

“If we don’t intervene, we can expect the homeless population in LA and across the country to expand. To stop this, we have to make sure that people who got shelter during the COVID-19 crisis stay housed, and we have to help people who are right on the cusp to not fall into homelessness. We are bracing for a huge spike in evictions and homelessness across the country.”

-Diane Yentel  
President & CEO, Low Income Housing Coalition



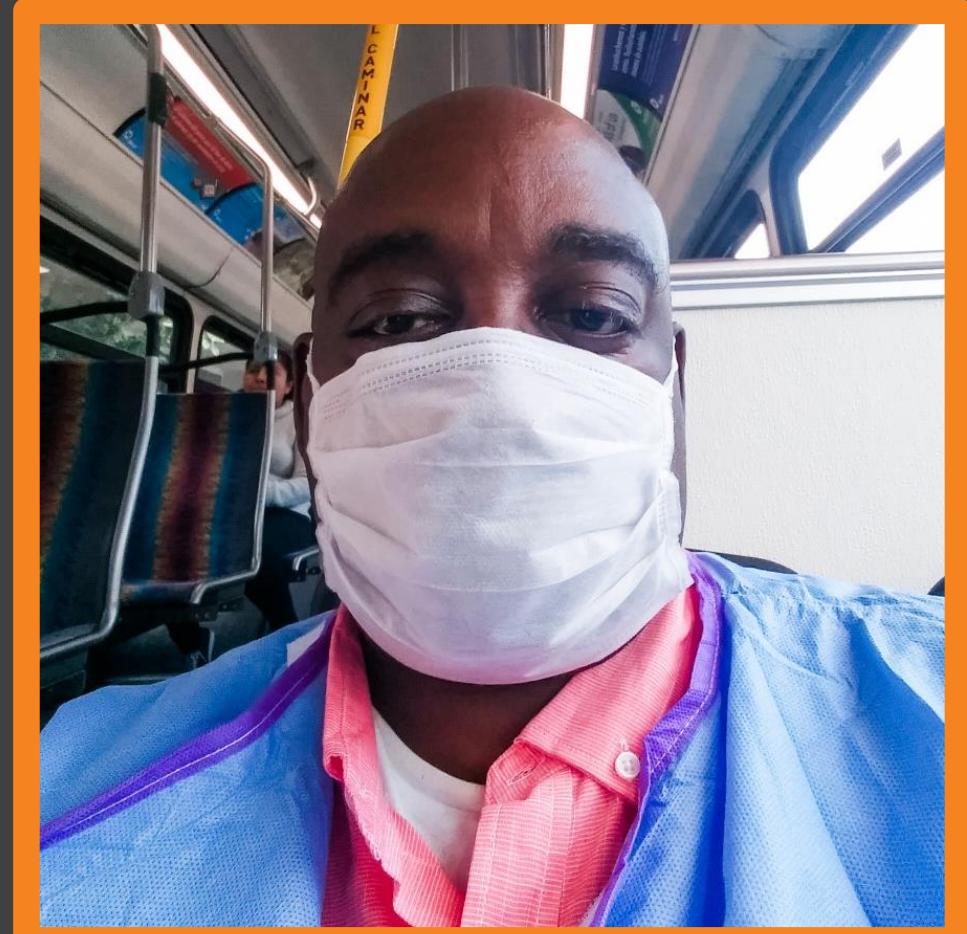
# Raymond Peters

## Skid Row Housing Trust Resident



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# RAYMOND'S STORY



“In 2009, I was a financial aid counselor at a school, and in the financial crisis, I lost my job, and I turned to alcohol. Through my case manager [at the Rossmore], I was able to keep working to address the trauma of my loss.”

“I’m moving from Skid Row to Woodland Hills—I want to say Skid Row Housing Trust, the Case Managers, thank you for keeping us in hope—just because we’re in Skid Row, it does not mean we are out of hope.”

“People should care about Skid Row because when you are in Skid Row, you get stigmatized. It’s easy for people to think that we’re lazy... and that’s not the case, most of us have really suffered, and we just need a hand up—not a hand out. These donations can really change lives.”

**-Raymond Peters  
Skid Row Housing Trust Resident**

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# JOIN US NEXT WEEK

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Please email  
[info@skidrow.org](mailto:info@skidrow.org) to  
share your feedback to  
help us improve our  
weekly virtual  
community meetings!

## Please join us next week

Our next meeting is  
scheduled for  
**Thursday, May  
7th at 6:30 PM**

## By phone

Via phone  
**323-433-2102**  
Conference ID:  
**958 090 388#**

## On the web

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*Thank you for joining us.*

*We hope to see you  
again next week!*