A Lasting Legacy: The Richard Rohrman Fund for First Time Home Buyers

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NEW COMMUNITY CEO

RICHARD ROHRMAN

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VISIONARY

"NCC is in a strong position to explode into its next 50 years. There will be new buildings and facilities, a much greater emphasis on health and its relationship to housing, training for well-paying in-demand jobs, health care, early childhood development, and future innovations. When you look at our current organizational structure and financial standing, what you are seeing are the long-run cumulative results of innovative strategies and strategic partnerships that allow us to create tremendous impact. Right now, I see New Community as ready for whatever arises, making it an optimal time for this transition."

Richard Rohrman
CEO, New Community | 2013 - 2021

"For decades you have worked to provide Newark residents with dignity. All of these works have had a massive positive impact on our City, providing residents with decent housing, economic careers, and vital personal services. That, in turn, has created a more empowered, equitable, and collaborative Newark."

Ras J. Baraka
Mayor, City of Newark

A LEADER'S LEADER

"Richard's commitment to helping others reflects the deep love he has for the community and serves as an inspiration to us all."

Cory A. Booker
United States Senator

"Mr. Rohrman has done tremendous work for Newark and my 10th Congressional District as CEO of one of our most important community development corporations."

Donald M. Payne, Jr.
Congressman, 10th District

Senator Bob Menendez promoting the Medical Debt Relief Act at NCC Health Care Complex with Richard. April 2016

Richard and Governor Phil Murphy at a press conference announcing paid apprenticeship programs, which benefit NCCTI students. February 2019
“Rich is a visionary and strategist. He was always methodical in his thinking around the moves New Community needed to make. Now the organization and residents are in a much stronger position.”

Craig Drinkard
Co-Executive Officer
Victoria Foundation

“Throughout Richard Rohrman’s career at New Community Corporation, here in the city of Newark, he has demonstrated commitment, compassion, and creativity. Richard’s efforts and determination were of tremendous benefit to not just the New Community family, but the Newark family as well. New Community Corporation’s loss is Newark’s loss.”

Mildred C. Crump
Council President, City of Newark

“It has been an honor and a pleasure working with you during my years at City Hall. I remember when I became Mayor you became the CEO of New Community and that year we worked together on a toy drive and we were able to bring a New York Giants player to distribute toys to many children in need. You will be missed. Thank you so much for your years of service.”

Luis A. Quintana
Council Vice Pres./Councilman at Large
City of Newark

Richard’s hard work and diligence have greatly benefited NCC, and the thousands of residents who benefited from your leadership. Those of us who continue in public service will strive to follow your stellar example and honor your legacy.”

Dwayne D. Warren, Esq.
Mayor, City of Orange

“I had the opportunity to work with Richard and admire his dedication and love to the City of Newark and its people. His imprints are all over the City. Best to you and your family during your deserved retirement.”

Carlos M. Gonzalez
Councilman at Large, City of Newark
In honor of Richard Rohrman’s contributions and vision to help families achieve homeownership, the New Community Board of Directors is pleased to announce the formation of the Richard Rohrman New Community Fund for First Time Home Buyers. Funds received in support of this initiative will be awarded as grants to New Community residents and qualifying first-time homebuyers from the service areas of Newark, Orange, or Jersey City to help offset down payment or closing costs.

After retirement, Richard plans to slow down a little to travel with his wife, Joanne, and spend time with family in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Colorado. He also plans to spend his days reading, volunteering, hiking, and taking courses on topics of interest.

“Richard has been a wonderful partner with the Board and an outstanding leader for New Community Corporation for over 25 years. The New Community network, and those we serve, have greatly benefited from his vision, business acumen, dedication, and leadership. In his role of CEO, Rohrman has used his expertise to strengthen the operational structure and the financial standing of the organization, positioning NCC to grow and be acclaimed as one of the largest community development organizations in the country. We will miss him greatly.”

Dr. A. Zachary Yamba, Chairman
New Community Board of Directors