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HONORING WOMEN IN NEW YORK

Tonya Ores

Tonya Ores is the Executive Director of Neighborhood Housing Services of Brooklyn CDC, Inc. (NHS Brooklyn). She was born and raised in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn, and is a current resident of Bergen Beach, where she lives with her husband and son.

Ms. Ores attended Medgar Evers College and University of Phoenix and possesses a Bachelor of Science in Business Management and a Master's degree in Public Administration (MPA). Serving as Executive Director, Ms. Ores seeks various partnership and collaborative opportunities to continue NHS's efforts to provide resources to stabilize communities.

Ms. Ores has been working for Neighborhood Housing Services for the past 28 years and held the following essential titles: Senior Loan Officer in NHS of Bedford Stuyvesant, Director of Homeownership Education of New York City in NHSNYC, Program Director in NHS of Richmond Hill and currently Executive Director of NHS Brooklyn.

Ms. Ores joined the NHS family in 1990 and has shown true commitment to NHS's mission to increase and protect the investments, help people through education to help themselves, and build communities by creating, preserving, and promoting affordable housing in New York City. Ms. Ores's efforts have obtained over \$48 million in resources for homeownership and home preservation grant opportunities for Brooklyn residents.

Ms. Ores is a leader in the non-profit community in initiating "partner" relationships to create new programs and services. She is an affordable housing advocate who serves the community by developing and implementing strategies, programs and products. She also participates in housing forums, seminars and conferences.

Post Superstorm Sandy, Ms. Ores has been extremely involved in disaster recovery work in Brooklyn and has been instrumental in obtaining resources to stabilize the affected areas.

She serves on the Advisory Board of Carver Community Development Corporation and Kings County Hospital and is a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) member, and a board member and youth mentor of the Glorious Church.

Ms. Ores is proud to call Brooklyn home saying, "Brooklyn has the most talented, and passionate people. Its leadership is strong, its communities are robust, its economy is vibrant, and its vision is limitless.

"I would like to thank State Senator Parker for this recognition and congratulate my fellow Honorees. Here's to strong women: may we know them, may we raise them, and may we be them!"

***Tonya Ores was selected as a
2020 Woman of Distinction honoree by Senator Kevin S. Parker.***

