Bickerdike works with our residents, other organizations and key stakeholders who share our vision that the community should control its own destiny. Founded in 1967, we are:

- A member-based, non-profit community development corporation.
- Dedicated to the redevelopment of West Town, Humboldt Park, Logan Square, Hermosa and Avondale communities.
- Rooted in our commitment to the benefit of and control by the low and moderate-income families in these areas.

As housing costs in Chicago continue to rise and neighborhoods transition, we confront issues that make vibrant neighborhoods less diverse and displace longtime residents:

- Mobile, well-to-do residents look westward hoping to find more affordable addresses.
- Developers create higher-priced condos catering to that market.
- Thousands of low and moderate-income Chicagoans, mostly Latino and African American, face higher home prices, higher rents, and higher taxes.

Our properties bring new life to corridors of Chicago from which other investment has evaporated, where foreclosure and abandonment threaten neighborhoods, and where local residents face housing instability. To date, we have:

- Invested more than $353 million to construct or rehabilitate 1,646 affordable rental and for-sale properties.
- Owned and managed 1,094 affordable units in 139 buildings.
- Provided high-quality housing to over 3,000 residents.

We will transform lives through high quality housing by:

- Building a transit-oriented development on Emmett Street with 100 units of 100% affordable housing.
- Preserving Victory Apartments, with 107 units in vintage buildings in Humboldt Park and West Town.
- Serving on the development team for Lathrop Homes, a public housing site with 1,116 mixed-income units.
- Redeveloping Wicker Park Apartments by rehabbing 220 units of senior housing, developing 42 units of family housing, and building a new senior community center.