

2015 ANNUAL REPORT



Working toward another 50 years

At Golden West, our future defines how we operate in the present. After celebrating our 50th year serving the Boulder community in 2015, our Board of Directors and staff are already working hard to ensure our mission of providing affordable housing and services to seniors continues well into the next 50. Currently, we are exploring a major refinancing opportunity and renovation project that will help us achieve that goal: the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC).

This program was developed to encourage investment in affordable housing across the country. If we are approved for this credit, we'll have the opportunity to obtain significant funding that will:

- 1. Support our mission as a not-for-profit organization, making it possible to continue to offer low-income housing and services to the elderly
- 2. Allow us to keep serving Medicaid-eligible seniors with our assisted living program
- 3. Maintain our buildings and physical plant through extensive renovations of the Towers (independent living) and Mezzanine (assisted living)
- 4. Lower our debt and raise equity, which will strengthen our sustainability well into the future

Golden West's continued existence isn't just important to the 100 people we employ, or to the residents and their families—it's important to the health of the larger community. Not only do we provide 40 percent of the affordable housing for seniors in Boulder, we support the local economy. In addition to the combined purchasing power of residents and staff, we lend financial support to area organizations, employ local vendors and sponsor other not-for-profit agencies. Our residents contribute to Boulder's rich and vibrant culture by volunteering with local organizations, and we maintain relationships with vendors and community partners that help connect members of the Golden West community to services. Golden West has spent 50 years enriching the community as a business and senior care and services provider, and will continue to do so for years to come.

We are grateful for our donors and others who help us to continue our mission. Here's to another 50 years!



John A. Torres

Executive Director Golden West Communities, Inc.

Golden West's 50-year mission

When First Christian Church opened the original Golden West community in 1965, the 11-story tower stood in open fields still used by ranchers to run cattle. Our small, intriguing college town only had about 40,000 inhabitants, but the need for affordable senior housing was evident even then. As Golden West expanded to meet the needs of a growing city, the mission remained the same: to provide excellent affordable housing and services for seniors.

Originally built as an independent living community, Golden West offered 154 apartments. As Boulder's population grew, so did Golden West. The first expansion in 1971 was to build the second tower, making even more independent living apartments available. As residents' needs changed, they expanded again in 1989, adding The Mezzanine, a four-story building with assisted living apartments. In 2008, the doors opened on Flatirons Terrace, a market-rate independent living community adjacent to Golden West.

Today, Golden West offers 40 percent of the city's affordable housing for seniors. Senior citizens everywhere are uniquely vulnerable to economic fluctuations, and in a city where the cost of living is always reaching new heights, Golden West provides a valuable opportunity for older adults to secure the housing and services they need at a cost they can afford. Golden West works with community organizations and partners to ensure residents' needs are met, including accepting Section 8 vouchers and being one of two senior living communities in Boulder to accept Medicaid. Strong connections with RTD and Via ensure residents' safe mobility around town, and the inhouse wellness and meal programs keep

residents healthy. Golden West's nonprofit status allows the larger community to donate toward residents' personal needs, including rent and food subsidies, as well as wellness center support.

Golden West also engages in advocacy work with organizations like LeadingAge. With Golden West's support, LeadingAge successfully lobbied for legislation that improved the lives of seniors. Not only did they develop task forces to oversee care providers, they also expanded Medicaid coverage and enhanced care requirements. This serves area seniors by giving them a greater voice in their own care and advocating for their needs.

To commemorate our 50 years of service, Golden West invited community members, partners and local businesses to take part in a celebration. The event included hundreds of guests and featured words by Janet Lappen, Vice Chair of the Board; Dee Hogan, President of the Resident Council; and Frank Alexander, Director of Boulder County Housing and Human Services. We are grateful for the support of the Premier Members Credit Union, Kottke & Brantz, Boulder Associates Architects, OZ Architecture, McDonald Carpet One, KONE Elevators and Escalators, Morrison Community Living, The Academy Boulder, Sturtz & Copeland, and Via, who contributed both in-kind and monetary donations.

Golden West has become an indispensable part of the Boulder community. With continued support and generosity from committed, conscientious stakeholders, it will serve the needs of Boulder's seniors for the next 50 years.

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2015 Financial Report

GOLDEN WEST FOUNDATION, INC. STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31, 2015 and 2014

GOLDEN WEST FOUNDATION, INC. STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

Years Ended December 31, 2015 and 2014

ASSETS:	2015	2014	UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS:	2015	2014
Cash:			Revenue:		
Undesignated	57,480	51,552	Contributions - general	21,222	25,686
Designated for split-interest			Contributions - split-interest agreements	-	-
agreements	12,339	12,781	Investment income/(loss)	(1,292)	12,344
Total Cash	\$69,819	\$64,333	Change in value of split-interest agreements Fundraising income	(6,614)	12,287
Investments and receivables:			Total Unrestricted Revenue	\$13,316	\$50,317
Undesignated	10,346	10,241	Net assets released from restrictions:		
Designated for investment				20.020	12 100
endowment	5,164	5,161	Restrictions satisfied by payments	38,839	13,188
Designated for split-interest	1/2 020	174.045	Total Unrestricted Revenue and	# F2.155	# <i>(2 F</i> 0F
agreements	162,838	174,045	Reclassifications	\$52,155	\$63,505
Temporarily Restricted	72,243	72,694	Expenses:		
Due to Golden West Communities,	20.002		Contributions - Golden West Communities,		
Inc.	20,983	-	Inc.	720	720
Total Investments and Receivables	\$271,574	\$262,141	Management fees Fundraising expense	6,000	6,000
			Resident enrichment	14,120	14,025
Property and equipment:			Insurance	-	1,000
Software	20,379	20,379	Marketing	-	1,275
Less: accumulated depreciation	(20,379)	(19,466)	Professional fees	1,000	1,010
Net Property and Equipment	_	\$913	Supplies	264	197
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Total Assets	\$341,393	\$327,387	Depreciation	913	4,767
			Total Expenses	\$26,074	\$31,965
Liabilities and Net Assets:			Increase in Unrestricted Net Assets	\$26,081	\$31,540
Liabilities:			Temporarily Restricted Net Assets:		
Liabilities under split-interest agreements	29,571	31,207	Contributions	28,400	8,640
Accounts payable	27,371	31,207	Net assets released from restrictions	(38,839)	(13,188)
Total Liabilities	¢20 571	¢21 207		(30,037)	(13,100)
Total Liabilities	\$29,571	\$31,207	Decrease in Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	(\$10,439)	(\$4,548)
Net Assets:			Assets	(\$10,437)	(\$\pi, 2\pi 0)
Temporarily restricted net assets	147,204	157,643	Increase in Total Net Assets	\$15,642	\$26,992
Unrestricted net assets	164,618	138,537			,
Total Net Assets	\$311,822	\$296,180	NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF		
TOTAL LIABILITIES			YEAR	\$269,180	\$269,188
AND NET ASSETS	\$341,393	\$327,387	NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$311,822	\$296,180