

Lydia S. Ely



AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Affordable Housing Development: Proven leader in delivering projects and programs. Over 20 years of experience in the government and nonprofit sectors.

- Deputy Director for San Francisco’s Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development, 2020-present. Lead 30-person team implementing the City of San Francisco’s goals for new construction, asset management, and preservation activities. Closed \$500M a year in affordable housing lending. Work areas include infill, multiphase, and rehabilitation projects.
- RAD Program Manager, 2013-2020. Led the development and implementation of San Francisco’s complex portfolio-wide rehabilitation and recapitalization program to preserve 3,500 units of distressed public housing. San Francisco’s RAD program, a \$2 billion transaction and the largest in the country to date, brought 29 separate public housing projects into construction within three years.

Grantwriting, Editing and Publishing: Communications and resource development for the nonprofit sector.

- Developed successful grants for federal and private funding, securing more than \$4 million for service and housing projects; clients included the Parents for Public Schools, the Low Income Investment Fund, and the City and County of San Francisco (1991-2009)
- Founded, edited and published the *Street Sheet*, award-winning monthly newspaper on homelessness (circulation 36,000) (1989-1999)
- Freelance editing for online and print publications (1989-2000)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2020-present	Deputy Director for Housing, Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development
2014-2020	Senior Project Manager, MOHCD
2007-2014	Project Manager, MOHCD
1994-2007	Affordable Housing Project Consultant and Grantwriter
1989-1999	Founder and Editor, <i>Street Sheet</i> , SF Coalition on Homelessness
1994-1996	Project Manager, Community Housing Partnership, San Francisco

EDUCATION

B.A. with honors, Russian Area Studies
Barnard College, Columbia University

References Available on Request