



**Carrie Hawkins**  
**Director, Century Housing Corp.,**  
**Principal, Herbert Hawkins Company, Inc.**

In 1995, Carrie was appointed by Judge Harry Pregerson to be a founding Board member of Century Housing where she has served for 22 years. As Chairman in 1998, she was instrumental in Century's acquisition of the 27 acre Long Beach Naval Housing property and development of the Villages at Cabrillo. She envisioned and supported creating a residential community that would include comprehensive services for homeless veterans and families, including residential treatment programs, job training, educational opportunities and child care. In 2018 she received the Visionary Award at Century Villages 20 year Anniversary celebration.

Raised in the Northern Minnesota wilderness without electricity or plumbing where only Finnish was spoken in the home, Carrie learned English in her one room schoolhouse where she attended through the sixth grade. In seventh grade the family moved to Minnesota's Mesabi Iron Range where she graduated from Chisholm High School. Carrie studied theatre arts in college. After taking a temporary job at First National Bank in St. Paul where she soon became the only female loan officer, Carrie decided it was more rewarding helping people with their finances than pursuing a career in theater.

She relocated to California in 1970 and went to work at Trinity Mortgage Company. In 1982 Carrie became the President and CEO where she served as such until retiring in 1995.

In 1993, Carrie Hawkins was elected the first woman President of the California Mortgage Banker's Association. She was honored with that organization's Distinguished Service Award in 1998. As Governor Deukmejian's and Governor Wilson's appointee, she served for 18 years on the California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA) Board. Other appointments include the California Housing Partnership, Fannie Mae Advisory Board, LINC Housing Board and Chairman of the Century Charter School Board.

She received the Salvation Army Community Service Award in 1993 and was named the Affordable Housing Leader of the Year by LINC Housing in 2000.

Carrie Hawkins is currently a principal with Herbert Hawkins Company, a real estate investment and management company.