



*Strengthening Communities through the Creation and Preservation of Affordable Housing*

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The Board of Eastern Eight Community Development Corporation based in Johnson City, Tennessee announces the Hiring of a new Executive Director, Sherry Trent. Ms. Trent is from Bristol, Virginia and has a varied background in the housing field including; fourteen years as a mortgage loan officer with Bank of America, twelve years as housing specialist and then Director of Housing for the First Tennessee Development District utilizing HUD, USDA, State Housing funds through THDA and funding through the Federal Home Loan bank in Both Cincinnati and Atlanta as well as private lender funding to assist low and moderate income families into homeownership and rehabilitated housing.

In 2015 Ms. Trent went to work for the Johnson City Housing Authority as their Grants Coordinator primarily involved in securing and administering Federal, State and Private Sector funding to build new rental developments in Johnson City for low and very low income individuals and families.

She has been the recipient of many awards at the Federal and State Level for the quality of programs she has overseen in assisting low and moderate income individuals and families in Northeast Tennessee with safe, decent and affordable housing.

Ms. Trent will assume her duties at Eastern Eight on Tuesday January 16<sup>th</sup>. She can be reached at that time by phone at (423) 232-2042 or email at [strent@e8cdc.org](mailto:strent@e8cdc.org)

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