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Luisa Borges and Kerry Diaz join The Lord's Place Board of Directors

Luisa Borges and Kerry Diaz recently accepted appointment to [The Lord's Place \(TLP\) Board of Directors](#), effective January 8, 2026. They join the existing members in bringing their professional and personal talents to address the issues of homelessness and provide strategic guidance, financial leadership, and to uphold the values of The Lord's Place.

Luisa Borges

Borges was born in the Cape Verde Islands and immigrated to the United States at the age of 15. She spent the bulk of her career in the aviation industry as station manager for Cape Verde Airlines: responsible for all aspects of the business, including flight support, customer service, new business development, public and community relations. Borges is an active community leader and engaged supporter of cultural and educational initiatives. She serves on the Martha's Vineyard Museum Centennial Committee Board, helping to preserve and celebrate the island's rich history; is a member of the George Washington University Family Leader Committee, fostering connections and support for the GW community; and is a board member of Dress for Success Boston, supporting governance, fundraising, and community engagement to empower women in the Boston area.

In addition to donating generously to The Lord's Place over the last few years, Borges volunteers regularly at Café Joshua where she serves hot meals and engages with those who are experiencing homelessness in our community.

"After volunteering with TLP for five years, I've seen firsthand the impact this organization has on people's lives. I am humbled and honored to join the board, and it feels like a natural next step to deepen my commitment and give back in a more meaningful way. I'm looking forward to supporting the mission at a broader level and helping create lasting, positive change in our community."

Kery Diaz

Diaz is an innovative nonprofit, policy, and philanthropy professional with more than 30

years of experience working with cause-based organizations to affect internal and external change. She was admitted to practice law in three states. Diaz currently runs Kerry Rodriguez Consulting where she uses that analytical legal lens, combined with an affinity for service, to assist philanthropic and nonprofit organizations to examine systems, create pathways to change, and develop dynamic cultures.

Diaz's extensive experience administering and leading major nonprofit organizations includes most recently serving as the interim CEO of The Lords' Place in 2025 and the agency's chief operating officer from 2021-2023. She also previously served as chief executive officer of the Quantum Foundation. Diaz has strong knowledge of the many dimensions of nonprofit management, including: programming, finance, advancement, research and evaluation, legal compliance, human resources, and administration.

"Having firsthand knowledge of TLP's work, I admire the staff and remain in awe of what happens at the street level to nurture people in need and meet them where they are with kindness and compassion. I know anyone can end up homeless. As a board member, I look forward to continuing to be a small part of the bigger picture of giving others hope."

Existing members of the board include: Cornelia Thornburgh, chair; Wes Lang, vice-chair; Willy Philiias, secretary; Charles Ward, treasurer, finance committee chair; George Bachman, IT committee chair; Chief Sean Baker; The Honorable Ann Brown; Julie Fisher Cummings; Carey Haughwout; James Kukla, housing and facilities committee chair; Laura Lofaro Freeman; The Honorable Jeri Muoio, risk assessment committee chair; Dror Paley, M.D.; Bill Proctor; Jack Scarola, governance committee chair; Christian Searcy, Jr.; Rabbi Howard Shapiro, centered in engagement committee chair; Kate Stengle, audit committee chair; Adrienne Weissman.

About The Lord's Place

For more than 45 years, The Lord's Place, a non-sectarian agency, has been working to break the cycle of homelessness for men, women, and children in Palm Beach County, FL, through innovative, compassionate and effective services. The Fortin Family Campus in West Palm Beach provides training and support services including: the operation of Café Joshua; job training and placement services; clinical and care coordination; community engagement services; and a reentry program helping men and women transitioning from incarceration. The agency also owns or rents 15 supportive and graduate housing locations, as well as 82 scattered-site apartments, to help house about 300 individuals every night. For more information, visit thelordsplace.org.

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