## **Community** Updates mission driven

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Last month our team **gathered in person** to connect, learn, and plan for the year ahead. As CEO David Lynn says in his "State of the Universe" grounding opening, "This is the team that will get us to \$1 billion in assets into community (AIC)." You read that right—we're planning to reach ONE BILLION DOLLARS over the next few years, after having **crossed \$100** million in AIC at the end of 2023. A big part of the road to \$1 billion we plan to come from Care Access Real

**Estate** (CARE). CARE started with a novel idea in 2019 to increase system capacity and resilience by addressing the real estate barriers faced by center- and home-based child care providers.



Today, **CARE has 11 properties across two regions:** 10 in Clark County, Nevada, and one in San Diego County. Since real estate—especially in Southern California—is quite expensive, those properties represent millions in assets into community in a few short months. What's more, six

child care provider tenants—Markeshia, Destinee (in photo above), Anitra, Kathy, Shaquita, and Arzelia—have successfully moved in. These family child care providers, all women of color, are on their way to showing that caregiving can be wealth-building. I can't wait to share more about new CARE properties and child care providers this year, including our first in San Diego, once renovations are complete.

Wishing you a safe and happy new year 🦺 Lauren Lauren Grattan

**Welcome New Portfolio Companies** 

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Co-founder & Chief Community Officer



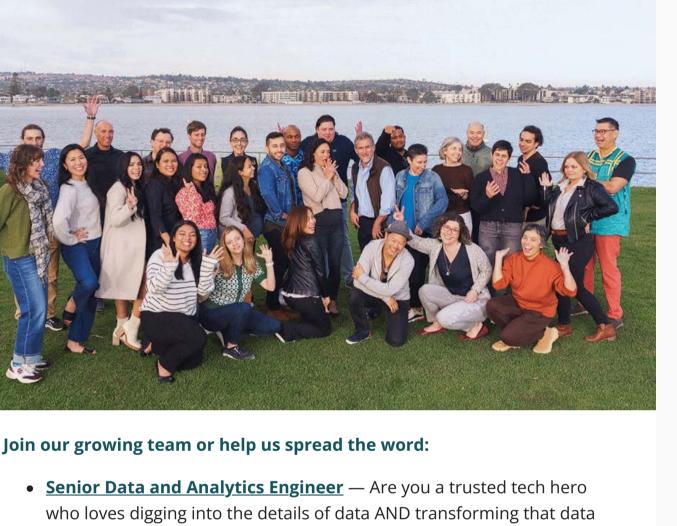
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**We're Hiring** 





fund operations to create valuable data and analytics business insights.

**Portfolio & Partner Updates** <u>Transformative Loans: San Diego County's COVID-19 Nonprofit Loan</u> **Program Yields \$5.2M Repayment and Reinvestment in Community** [Mission Driven Finance] <u>Developer to borrow \$20 million for North River Farms' affordable</u> **housing in Oceanside** [The San Diego Union-Tribune]

What Will It Take To Build An Ownership Economy?

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A to Z backs Project Equity's Employee Ownership Catalyst Fund

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[The NonProfit Times]

into a valuable business advantage? We are seeking a resourceful, lifelong learner who wants to leverage their knowledge and skills to

work under the direction of the senior director of IT and with

build out a powerful data warehouse within MS Fabric, connecting the data across multiple systems and teams. The person in this role will

businesses and functions, including portfolio analytics, finance, and

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**Getting Federal Money to Communities: A Story from Puerto Rico** [Nonprofit Quarterly]

<u>Popular plant-based San Diego County restaurant opens its first</u> **Orange County location** 

[The Orange County Register]

**Eight Chosen For Podcast Hall of Fame's Class Of 2024** 

[Inside Radio]

Houston startup secures IBM partnership for Al-backed consumer

<u>tech</u> [InnovationMap]

<u>Dayton startup purchases 32,000-square-foot manufacturing plant</u>

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