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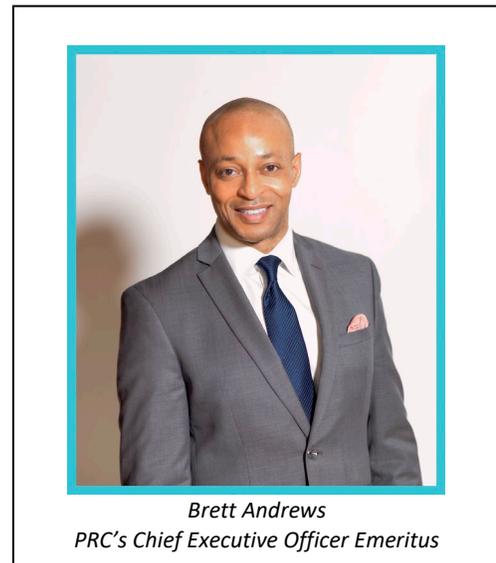


## PRC Chief Executive Officer Brett Andrews Retires After Two Decades of Service

**SAN FRANCISCO (September 22, 2022)** – Yesterday, Brett Andrews, chief executive officer (CEO) of [PRC](#), the San Francisco-based nonprofit providing comprehensive services to those living with HIV/AIDS, mental illness and substance use disorder, announced his plans to retire.

Andrews has assumed the role of CEO emeritus while chief of operations officer Chuan Teng will serve as interim chief executive officer. In his new role, Brett will work with PRC's board of directors and senior leadership team to support succession planning and ensure a smooth transition of new leadership.

Brett was hired as executive director of PRC in 2003 when the organization had 18 employees and an operating budget of \$1.2 million. During Mayor Gavin Newsom's 2002 *Care Not Cash Initiative*, Brett led PRC to become one of the largest providers of Social Security Insurance benefits advocacy in San Francisco. During 2016 - 2022, PRC merged with San Francisco's longstanding AIDS Emergency Fund and Baker Places, Inc. growing the number of the joint agencies' employees to over 300 with an operating budget of \$34 million.



*Brett Andrews  
PRC's Chief Executive Officer Emeritus*

Under Brett's leadership, PRC has developed interdisciplinary programs benefiting complementary organizations and clients from underrepresented communities. In 2019, Brett co-founded and convened the *Black Leadership Council (BLC)*, a statewide group of over 50 Black leaders seeking to improve conditions for Black Californians and other vulnerable populations across California. The Council has developed a Black prosperity agenda to advance meaningful change across the systems of health, wealth, housing and education.

Outside of his role at PRC, Brett has committed his time to serve on many task forces and coalitions designed to address and solve some of the most pressing social challenges in San Francisco and California. Most recently, he was the co-chair of the *San Francisco Human Services Network* and has been an active leader in the *SF HIV/AIDS Provider Network*, the *San Francisco Economic Recovery Taskforce* and the *San Francisco Business Times Leadership Trust*. Additionally, he served on the board of the *California Association of Alcohol and Drug Program Executives* and on Mayor London Breed's *Community-Based Organizations Taskforce* as well as on the Mayor's *Methamphetamine Taskforce*. He is also a former *San Francisco Ethics Commissioner*.

Brett's community service has not gone unnoticed, as he has been the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions. In 2017, he received San Francisco Pride's *Heritage of Pride Grand Marshal Award* for his many years of service to the LGBTQ community. In 2020, he received a *Leadership Award* from the California Legislative LGBTQ Caucus. In 2022, Brett received the *Community Impact Award* from the San Francisco Community Health Center and the *Outstanding (LGBTQ+) Voices Award* from the San Francisco Business Times. Additionally in 2022, PRC was selected by Senator Scott Wiener to receive the *Nonprofit of the Year* award from the California Association of Nonprofits and the California Legislature.

"Throughout the years, I have been sustained and inspired by the extraordinary and dedicated staff who show up for our clients day in and day out. In saying farewell, I extend my deep gratitude to the board of directors for their steady, guiding hand. Social services are, at heart, a collaborative effort, and my collaborators have been simply the best. PRC continues to live up to our highest values rooted in our founding – that we provide the most high quality, client-centered and culturally appropriate services that meet the needs of the community," said Brett Andrews.

Brian Schneider, PRC board president stated, "It's been my profound pleasure to serve on PRC's board and work alongside Brett for several years. He is a thoughtful and committed leader who has managed the successes and challenges at PRC with grace and a steadfast work ethic. He will be greatly missed, but never forgotten, as he leaves a lasting legacy at PRC and in the City of San Francisco."

Brett will symbolically pass the leadership torch to Chuan Teng at PRC's annual in-person Mighty Real Gala on, Friday, November 4, 2022, at 6pm, at the Four Seasons Hotel.

Interim CEO Chuan Teng said, "I am honored that Brett and the PRC board of directors trust me to assume the role of interim CEO. For the past ten years, I have witnessed Brett build the emotional quotient and leadership of his staff, while managing PRC's operational responsibilities. He is selfless leader who has always put the needs of our staff, clients and community first."

Brett concluded, "I feel truly blessed to have served as CEO of PRC for 20 years. It is now my priority to support my transition and to pass on to new leadership all of the institutional knowledge that I hold. I will do all that I can to assist PRC's board and staff to continue to carry out its mission to help people affected by poverty, living with HIV/AIDS, substance use and mental illness realize their full potential by providing health and human services to help them reclaim their lives."

### **About PRC**

PRC is a San Francisco-based nonprofit social impact organization serving the needs of the City's most vulnerable people and communities. PRC's multifaceted programs offer supportive services to those struggling with substance use, HIV/AIDS and behavioral health challenges that most often stem from the broader systemic challenges of historic economic, social and racial inequities. PRC, in service since 1987, assists approximately 5,000 individuals annually. For more information, please visit [www.prcsf.org](http://www.prcsf.org).

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