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### Chrysalis Appoints New CEO

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#### *Former Vice President Takes Helm of Social Services Agency*

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DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES - The Downtown social services agency Chrysalis has appointed Mark Loranger as its new CEO and president, the organization announced Tuesday.

Loranger previously served for two years as vice president of Chrysalis Enterprises, a division of Chrysalis that provides transitional jobs for clients with employment barriers.

Former Chrysalis CEO and President LaRae Mardesic Bechmann stepped down in February to focus on her family, said Chrysalis spokesman Patrick Shandrick. Loranger has served as interim CEO and president since then and was officially appointed to the position this week, Shandrick said.

Chrysalis also announced last week that Trevor Kale, who has worked with the agency on improving its operations since February 2008, has been promoted to vice president of Chrysalis Enterprises.

Chrysalis, founded in 1984, helps the homeless and economically disadvantaged find jobs. The organization, which also has offices in Santa Monica and Pacoima, provides job preparation classes, support groups, resume assistance and other services to more than 2,500 individuals each year.

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