This year we at Hospitality House achieved milestones, faced new challenges, and celebrated triumphs, including an unforgettable 50th Anniversary of Hospitality House’s Community Arts Program (CAP). Created in 1969 by community volunteers who valued creativity as a platform for social change, our Community Arts Program remains San Francisco’s only free fine arts studio and gallery space for low-income community artists.

After a half-century in a neighborhood known for its cutting edge arts and music scene, CAP has evolved into a vibrant community hub celebrating local artists, social activism, and economic vitality.

Hospitality House's 34th annual art auction – now named THHE Auction – raised more than $160,000 and attracted more than 600 arts enthusiasts from across San Francisco and beyond. Our signature event featured our most successful live auction ever, recognized the unsung talents of some remarkable community artists, and amplified the power of creativity in the fight for the Soul of the City. Excitement is already building for THHE Auction 2020 – you won’t want to miss it!

This year’s Annual Report features several noteworthy achievements including:

- Nearly 25,000 visits to one or more Hospitality House programs throughout the year by community members, volunteers, artists, job-seekers, and others - seeking engagement, empowerment, and stronger connections in the community we call home.

- Our Sixth Street Self-Help Center expands to much-needed evening hours and increases utilization of this valued community resource, which already attracts hundreds of local residents each day – and now provides respite, resources and connection for more than 75 residents nightly.

- The Hospitality House Employment Program serves more than 300 first-time job seekers, and places nearly 200 job seekers into permanent jobs – a stunning accomplishment for a single community organization. Nearly 100 of the job seekers were formerly homeless, who achieved greater stability at dozens of Bay Area employers that enabled them to secure housing, too.

- Our Community Building Program launched a groundbreaking “House Talk” monthly discussion series for formerly incarcerated men and women, connecting them to needed resources, ongoing supports, and, more importantly, to each other.

This past year we also welcomed nearly 200 first-time donors to the Hospitality House family, donors who recognized our innovative peer-based model as a blueprint for strengthening community. They also helped us deepen and expand our commitment to skills-building and professional development at every level of the organization. In so doing, each contribution help strengthen and transform both the individual and the organization.

I can proudly say that I’m a product of that commitment, and my life has been forever transformed by the investment you’ve enabled Hospitality House to make in me, as well as our next generation of leaders.

Donors like you also support Hospitality House’s unique civic activism model that complements individual engagement with strong community supports – building individual resilience and strengthening community. San Franciscans like you are helping us write the next chapter of the continuing Hospitality House story – turning perceived liabilities into unexpected possibilities, and exploring new vistas of potential with every human encounter.

As we share our challenges and triumphs from the past year, please know that we are forever grateful to you for sharing this journey with us: Rebuilding Lives. Celebrating Creativity. Strengthening Community.
Hundreds of community residents participated in empowerment and/or support groups.

Hundreds of low-income and homeless residents obtained housing, income, and other resources including referrals to behavioral health services.

Close to 200 neighborhood residents attended harm reduction support groups conducted by the Harm Reduction Therapy Center.

Since its beginnings 52 years ago as a simple drop-in space for youth run by community volunteers, Hospitality House has evolved into a vibrant community institution operating six multi-faceted programs at four locations in three distinct neighborhoods. Our programs are deeply rooted in harm reduction philosophy, i.e., reducing harm rather than passing judgment, offering options for better choices, and valuing all community members as assets.

Hospitality House’s signature peer-based model, i.e., those running our programs mirror the diversity of the community which we serve, is also embodied in our current executive director — a formerly homeless person and shelter resident. Over the years, Hospitality House has remained true to its founding mission: to make the heart of San Francisco a better place for all.

SIXTH STREET SELF-HELP CENTER

For nearly a decade, The Sixth Street Self-Help Center (SSHC) has offered low-threshold drop-in services for low-income and homeless community residents in the Sixth Street corridor. Modeled after our flagship center in the Tenderloin, SSHC provides essential services for the neighborhood.

Provided peer counseling, case management, mental health services, vocational resources, substance use services, socialization activities, and access to basic amenities to nearly 6,000 individuals last year.

In May 2019, the Sixth Street Self-Help Center extended its open hours from its original closing time of 5PM to 10PM weeknights. Since then, hundreds of community residents have dropped-in for support and services.

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Hospitality House has toothpaste and the hygiene supplies I need. The staff’s strength to help even those individuals outside the Drop-In is amazing.

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More than $24,000 paid in commissions to our neighborhood artists.

- Monthly exhibitions featured eight CAP artists, four group shows, and live art demonstrations inside the CAP gallery windows.
- The CAP provided free art resources to more than 700 individual artists and neighborhood residents last year.
- Since 1969, Hospitality House's Community Arts Program (CAP) remains the City's only free fine arts studio for low-income artists and is an award-winning creative hub and unique social enterprise. Artists refine their creative talents through skills-building workshops, reach broader audiences and exposure through exhibitions and art demonstrations inside the CAP gallery windows.

COMMUNITY ARTS PROGRAM

GRATITUDE AND LOVE TO THE AUCTION SUPPORTORS

Art taught me to listen and RELIEVE in my own way. CAP supported me at my lowest most lost time in my life. I gained the strength to get out of a abusive SRO where I was living. (Liuowta Navaman)

“It makes me feel calm. I can focus on things and also divest whatever I want to. It is very therapeutic for me and also secondly, art enhanced my value in myself. Seeing myself have at least something that I can do and make myself feel special, just in my own head. But it helped me to survive every day and then tellly these skills, what I can do, people appreciate it. The appreciation from people really helped me grow and develop and keep moving forward.” (Tan Sinratait)

50 Years of Rebuilding Lives, Celebrating Creativity, Strengthening Community

Back to the Picture Chandler Fine Arts Michael Thompson Framing Spot Design Back to Art Services The Painter’s Place Underdogs
COMMUNITY BUILDING PROGRAM
Since 2010, the Community Building Program (CBP) has helped low-income residents connect to community resources, maintain and improve their housing, and strengthen community capacity to recover from trauma. CBP offers case advocacy, support groups, leadership development and civic engagement. CBP’s unique trauma-informed project called Healing, Organizing & Leadership Development (HOLD) offers tools to address individual trauma, opportunities for civic activism, engage other community residents in positive change, and give back to their community through volunteerism.

EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM
The Employment Program offers options for gainful employment and increased stability by helping community residents remove barriers to employment, secure living wage jobs, and pursue career options. We connect homeless and low-income job seekers to employers through hiring and job fairs, as well as, expanded support services, job seeker support groups, and partnerships with employers, workforce and employment agencies. Our Neighborhood Access Point for the Tenderloin and Sixth Street Corridor helps nearly 300 low-income and homeless job-seekers gain employment every year.

SHELTER PROGRAM
Hospitality House operates one of the City's oldest emergency shelters for 30 men each night, 365 days per year. The Shelter Program provides temporary shelter and support services to more than 700 single adult men each year, with 25 extended-stay shelter beds and five emergency mats for nightly use. Shelter staff provide case management to enable residents to identify needed resources and overcome obstacles in securing permanent stable housing.

More than 520 community members participated in dozens of community events sponsored and coordinated by the Community Building Program during which included ‘House Talk’, a forum to support formerly incarcerated individuals in reentry, ‘Know Your Rights’ immigrants workshop, and several community mobilizing action forums.

More than 100 single adult men received extended case management and advocacy to achieve greater stability through permanent housing, health care needs, public benefits, employment, etc.

More than 300 job seekers enrolled in employment case management job readiness services.

Approximately 75 job fairs and placement events were organized and attended by nearly 450 low-income or homeless job seekers.

• More than 200 job seekers developed career case plans and/or completed work readiness activities including resume and cover letter creation, mock interviewing, and job search activities.

• Close to 200 job seekers were placed in gainful employment.

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Thanks to our generous supporters and community builders!

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Karen Gruneisen
Episcopal Community Services

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Each year, Hospitality House tries to do a little something special for our programs participants who may not otherwise have much to celebrate. Below is our wish list of items.

- new socks
- new flip-flops
- new work boots
- men's pajama sets
- men's underwear
- knit hats, gloves
- scarves
- hygiene items
- art supplies
- sketch pads
- art portfolios
- backpacks
- shoulder bags
- thumb drives
- grocery gift cards
- job interview clothing

If you would like to donate items from our wish list, please call Tess Davis at 415-749-2118 or email tdavis@hospitalityhouse.org.

Please note: we are unable to accept used clothing, footwear, or furniture. All donations are tax deductible. Donors will be recognized in our upcoming e-newsletter.

SAVE THE DATE MAY 14, 2020
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Shop at Hospitality House's Community Arts Program studio & gallery at 1009 Market Street in San Francisco to find that perfect gift.

Original artwork is captivating.
Original artwork tells a story.
Original artwork is personal.

Original artwork make perfect gifts.

This publication is dedicated in loving memory of Iris Brightwater, Little Eddie, Kat Callaway, Roy “Bud” Johns, & Phil Arnold

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Make A Donation
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Sponsor Our Fundraising Events
Hospitality House holds a major fundraising events each year: THHE Auction taking place in May 2020. We are looking for sponsors and donors to help fund our events. Information on the benefits of sponsorship will be available on our website at www.hospitalityhouse.org or call our Director of Development Samson Manalo at (415) 749-2184 for details.

Volunteer at Our Fundraising Events
We are always in need of volunteers to help with the various tasks involved in hosting a major fundraiser. Email our Development Manager Tess Davis at tdavis@hospitalityhouse.org to get involved.