How You Can Support Hospitality House

Become A Monthly Donor
Make a monthly donation of $10 or more automatically. At the end of the year, you will receive a thank you letter along with a statement of your total donations made. Go to hospitalityhouse.org for details or call 415-749-2118.

Make A Donation
Donations can be made online by clicking the donate button at www.hospitalityhouse.org or by check made payable to "Hospitality House". Send your checks to 288 Turk Street, San Francisco, CA 94102

Support Our Fundraising Events
Hospitality House holds two major fundraising events each year which includes our Annual Art Auction in May. 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 Allan S. Manalo at 415-749-2184 for details.

Volunteer at Our Fundraising Events
We are always in need of volunteers to help with the various task involved in hosting a major fundraiser. Email our Development Manager Tess Davis at tdavis@hospitalityhouse.org to get involved.
We Believe In Our Humanity
A Letter from Executive Director, Joe Wilson

This year marked a significant milestone for Hospitality House – 50 years of history! As we celebrate a half-century of struggle, triumph, and still more struggle, it's important to also acknowledge the progress we've made along the way. Hospitality House has utilized an innovative approach that combines direct service, community building, and leadership development – meeting basic needs while empowering residents to be engaged in civic participation and renewal, and become community leaders who inspire still other leaders.

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Fifty years ago, on the eve of the Summer of Love, a committed group of community volunteers came together to start Hospitality House as a safe space for all, inspired by courageous young people seeking acceptance and equality. Over the years, our humble beginnings from a simple gathering space for youth and others evolved into a vibrant community hub in multiple neighborhoods teeming with activity, creativity, connection, and purpose. Hospitality House's struggles and triumphs spanning more than five decades reinforced our steadfast belief that every community can define its own priorities, choose its own solutions, and lift up its residents' voices. That's what we're dedicated to, the solution to the problem, that everyone matters, and we leave no one behind.

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Throughout Hospitality House, there are concrete examples of our peer-based model come to life – and the power of people fighting to preserve the soul of the City. Formerly incarcerated men and women lead agency programs that inspire others to strive for change. Former gang members inspire community volunteers to give back, give themselves a chance, grow from their past, and be an asset to 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 endeavored to remain true to its founding mission: to make the heart of San Francisco a better place for all.

Our Community Program Outcomes for FY2016-2017

Since its beginnings, 50 years ago as a drop-in space for youth run by community volunteers, Hospitality House has evolved into a vibrant community institution offering six multi-faceted programs, at four locations in three distinct neighborhoods. Our programs are deeply rooted in the philosophy of harm reduction, reducing harm rather than passing judgment, offering options for better choices, and valuing all community members as assets, not liabilities. Hospitality House’s signature peer-based model is deeply rooted in the values 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 endeavored to remain true to its founding mission: to make the heart of San Francisco a better place for all.

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Today, the stakes are higher than ever, the battles are more crucial than ever, and seemingly each block in our community is a site of struggle. Four out of five homeless people in the City go without shelter every night, and more than seventy classrooms of children are homeless in San Francisco. And yet, for those trying to build better futures – there are wait lists for shelter, wait lists for permanent housing, wait lists for treatment services. The City’s poorest communities – like ours – have also become ground zero for market-rate housing development and shameful profiteering. Displacement and gentrification are making it harder for low-income residents to stay in the City – and entrapment is ensuring that many can’t afford to leave. Young people, immigrant families, seniors struggling to be part of their own neighborhoods, those reentering the community and rebuilding their lives, and homeless people seeking justice, not charity – are all fighting for the soul of the City.

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As our journey continues, we know that we cannot engage the struggle alone. For immigrant families living in fear right here in San Francisco, we cannot do it alone. For homeless men, women and children fighting for survival every day, we cannot do it alone. For transgender activists being gunned down on the streets, for working class communities like ours battling gang injunctions and a cash-or-credit justice system, we cannot do it alone. For the poets, artists, and dreamers envisioning a better world and striving to create that vision on canvas, and on our hearts, and on every block in our neighborhood, we cannot do it alone.

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Over the next five years, we’re launching an ambitious, visionary campaign: to engage thousands of committed community members across San Francisco Hospitality House’s work. Our work combines necessary services with transforming lives, growing local resident leaders, lifting up voices, and building community power. We’re reaching out to thousands of individuals like you, new leaders with new ideas and untapped networks of change agents and visionary voices, and we’re asking you to invest in Hospitality House’s work every month, as committed sustainers, as planned contributors, as community leaders, and building community power. We value every community member as an asset, and we believe firmly that people can, working together, can show people how. And every day, we help people do. By believing in us, you help us transform pain into possibilities, celebrate the power of people fighting for the soul of the City, and turn trauma into triumph – together.

As we begin our next half-century of improving lives, lifting up voices, and building community power, we need you to join us.

Above all, thank you for believing in Hospitality House.
Celebrating the Power of Our Voices, Our Stories, Our Community

Sights and Sounds from Hospitality House’s 50th Anniversary Celebration on October 12, 2017 at The Green Room of San Francisco War Memorial & Performing Arts Center

Senator Mark Leno and Margaret Brodkin. (Photo: Allen Ellison)

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Before the event. (Photo: Allen Ellison)

Employment Program Manager Abigail Headrick prepare name tags for guest. (Photo: Allen Ellison)

Windy Click checks out the scene with Leslie Headrick set up the silent auction table along with Caleb Punsam. (Photo: Allen Ellison)

Community Programs artist Charles Blackwell and Jason Rivers share a story. (Photo: Allen Ellison)

Senator Mark Leno and Margaret Brodkin.

Michael Hurd,變性人社區參與者，與community programs manager Windy Click，前社區服務主管魯斯・德文，及社區發展主任艾倫・馬納利。 (Photo: Allen Ellison)

Volunteers Helen Manalo and Eileen Lydias Chavez welcome everyone. (Photo: Allen Ellison)

After several months of calling each other out, Peer Advocate Samantha Rodriguez and Shelter Program Manager Jose Bernal settle it on the floor in an epic dance battle to end a memorable night... in a unanimous tie! (Photo: Allen Ellison)

Director of Finance Macee Davis (right) presents Jackie Jenks with a special gift along with COO ED Jeney Frenidad (left). (Photo: Allen Ellison)

The fabulous 50th anniversary cake created and donated by the Cake Gallery. (Photo: Allen Ellison)

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Western Regional Advisory Project
Sandra Pollock, President of Hospitality House, shares her story.

(Left) she said, “I hope to expand the system. (Right) the company may be too small to do that, but if we can do that, we can expand the system. (Below) people can work with people and everyone will benefit...”

Mark these names and faces. (Photo: Allen Ellison)

Awards Presentation: Founder Art Ammann: “You know as long as I’ve been involved in politics...” (Photo: Allen Ellison)

More than 50 years, you can tell the true people and the authentic people and those behind Hospitality House and all the other social justice advocates have run this!”

The Epic Dance Battle!

The Tenderloin Self-Help Center Program Manager Deepak Gobbi (right) navigates the night sky.

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Pre-Bid Dinner:

Ravarous: “Hospitality House is over 50 years, you can tell the true people and the authentic people...”

The Grotto, Anisse Gross

The Tenderloin Self-Help Center Program Manager Deepak Gobbi (right) navigates the night sky.

Macy’s, in association with the Tenderloin Self-Help Center, presents the Tenderloin Self-Help Center Program Manager Deepak Gobbi.

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