Dear Friends:

At San Francisco Village, we believe relationships across generations are life-changing. Every day, we foster the connections that keep our members engaged, curious and giving back, whether by mentoring a young person, tackling the latest technology with a volunteer, or simply sharing their personal stories together. Because when older adults value themselves, and are valued by the community, we ALL benefit, and create a better experience of aging than the one we have known before.

One in five San Franciscans is over the age of 60 and an overwhelming majority of them are middle income. While there are many services for lower-income older adults, little exists to support our teachers, nurses, shopkeepers and others who don’t quite qualify for low-income services but don’t have the means to afford them on their own. San Francisco Village fills the gap for this growing group of people who wish to continue living in the city they love. San Francisco neighborhoods are healthier, stronger and more diverse when we support middle class older adults who live there.

Thanks to your generous support San Francisco Village is growing into our vision for empowering older San Franciscans to continue living lives of purpose and promise. In 2015 our team grew to four full time staff members and we are focused on strengthening our capacity in terms of technology, brand development and a flourishing program. As always, our primary aim is to expand and diversify our membership while deepening our members’ experience.

There are still so many older San Franciscans we want to reach. With your continued help, we’re able to develop the community, programming and expertise for them to stay in charge of their lives, sustaining their independence through connection and community!

Warm Regards,

Kate Hoepke
Executive Director
“San Francisco Village is so needed, by so many. You take the fear out of aging solo in San Francisco.”

– Frances Gorman

The San Francisco Village community is reciprocal, inclusive and relies on its members and volunteers sharing their unique brilliance. Just as we all have much to learn, so we have much to teach. Meaningful interaction with older adults helps younger adults understand aging as a natural part of life.

Relationships are forged when members dare to ask for help and volunteers respond enthusiastically.
San Francisco Village has 375 members who live in 25+ neighborhoods, served by 150 non-member volunteers. Volunteers of all ages gave more than 3000 hours of service.

There were a total of 190 events in 2015, with an average of 16 programs a month.

Revenue:
- 55% Grants
- 20% Donations
- 25% Membership Fees

Expenses:
- 64% Programs
- 18% Fundraising
- 18% Management
At a time when older adults may find their lives shrinking, San Francisco Village programs offer opportunities to expand.

Programs in 2015 included

- Balance and Falls Prevention classes
- Boost Your Brain series
- Dandelion Chocolate tour
- Dementia Safety Net
- Longevity Explorers
- Meditation
- Mentoring Exchange
- Opera at the Conservatory of Music
- Poetry workshops
- SF walking tours
- Storytelling
- The Power of Myth

Our Funders

Since membership fees cover only 25% of operating expenses, funders play a critical role in our ability to provide high-quality programs and services to our members. We are especially grateful to:

- San Francisco Board of Supervisors, the Mayor’s Office, and the Department of Aging and Adult Services for their visionary investment in San Francisco Village
- May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust for their confidence in our ability to empower older San Franciscans to stay in charge of their lives
- Wallace A. Gerbode Foundation for their faith in our vision to change the experience of aging in San Francisco

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