

FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT® FOR HEALTHY LIVING FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



## 22-23 ANNUAL REPORT

**YMCA OF SAN FRANCISCO** 

**CREATING OPPORTUNITIES** SAFE HERE FOR CONNECTION GOOD FAMILY DISCOVER A BETTER **FUTURE ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES** 

WELCOMING COMMUNITY

# HEALING WELLNESS RESPECT FUN DRIVEN BELONG COMPASSION BECOME MPACTFUL RELIABLE

## **Dear Friends and Community Members,**

Since 1853, the YMCA of San Francisco has been the premier place in Greater San Francisco for you and your family to come and be the very best that you can be. Whether to maximize physical and mental health at any age; to provide social, physical, and educational development for our community's children; or to receive a helping hand when it is needed most – the Y is here for you.

The Y not only provides a robust community that welcomes and celebrates you as you are, we also offer a variety of programs and services that enable you to reach your greatest potential. People join the Y community from all walks of life and circumstances – and we are committed to ensuring a safe and welcoming environment where every individual can **be** their authentic self, **belong** to something greater, and find support to **become** the best version of themselves.

Despite the fact that the most challenging aspects of the pandemic are behind us, there is so much more that we can and must do together to strengthen and uphold our community. All this critical work cannot be delivered without the robust community partnerships and generous donations of time and financial support provided by you – members of our Bay Area community.

To that end, the YMCA of San Francisco is proud to share our refreshed mission statement, **informed** by our community: to build healthy, equitable and sustainable communities for all generations - where you can **be**, **belong**, **and become**. We are in the process of developing our aligned strategic plan. Until then, in this annual report, we are excited to share highlights of the amazing impact you have helped us achieve this past year. We could not do this without you.

We **thank you** for continuing to partner with us as we collectively engage in our important work.



**JAMIE BRUNING-MILES** President and CEO YMCA of San Francisco



**JON EBERLY** Chair, Board of Directors YMCA of San Francisco



## Our YOUTH DEVELOPMENT programs are famous for their one degree of separation.

Either you or someone you know has participated in a YMCA youth program within your lifetime. Our youth programs take place at over 120 locations across three counties and extend well beyond traditional sports and summer camps.



## Our HEALTH AND WELLNESS programs are renowned.

Whether you like to walk, run, bike, swim, dance, or anything else, we have the right program close to you throughout our 14 branch locations in Marin, San Francisco and San Mateo.





**9 FULLY EQUIPPED WELLNESS FACILITIES** 

Over the last few years, we have expanded our health and wellness services. This year, we opened a dedicated mental health services branch, to provide more comprehensive mental health programming to our Greater San Francisco community.

## Our SOCIAL SERVICES programs have seen the most extensive expansion.

Philosophically, we believe the YMCA of San Francisco has a responsibility to make our community better and healthier.





We deliver services that feed hungry individuals of all ages, connect community members to stable housing, provide meaningful workforce development skills and job placement, improve pathways to graduation, and many, many other services.



#### **BAYVIEW SAFETY SWIM** AND SPLASH (BSSS)



Lower rates of substance abuse



Lower rates of homelessness in our communities



6 POOLS & SAUNAS



## HUNDREDS OF INDIVIDUAL **& GROUP CLASSES**



**EDUCATION** 



## **THE EDWIN & MARGARET LEE TUNG LOK EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING CENTER GRAND OPENING**

## A CHILD'S KINDERGARTEN READINESS IS A CRITICAL DETERMINANT IN **FUTURE EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS.**

Chinatown residents often face many challenges to getting their children ready to succeed in school, including the cost and availability of preschool.



Across San Francisco, the average annual cost for preschool is \$26,000



**33%** of Chinatown's residents live **below** the \$30.000 **Federal Poverty Level** 

## The Chinatown YMCA tackled these challenges head-on.

In partnership with The John Stewart Company and BRIDGE Housing Corporation and a generous donation from the Edwin and Margaret Lee Foundation, the Chinatown Y opened the Edwin & Margaret Lee Tung Lok Early Childhood Learning Center.



4 CLASSROOMS DIVIDED BY AGE GROUP SERVING CHILDREN FROM **3 MONTHS UP TO 5 YEARS OF AGE** 

AN AMAZING TEAM OF 10 ECE-ACCREDITED PROFESSIONALS SPEAKING ENGLISH, CANTONESE, MANDARIN AND SPANISH



**ABILITY TO SERVE 57 CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES** 



A PHILOSOPHY OF "PRESCHOOL FOR ALL" WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE TO ALL ELIGIBLE RESIDENTS (AN AVERAGE REDUCTION OF \$4,900 ANNUALLY)



HAVE THE LITERACY AND LEARNING SKILLS **DEEMED NECESSARY FOR KINDERGARTEN ENTRY** 

DEMONSTRATE THE EMERGENT WRITING SKILLS NECESSARY FOR KINDERGARTEN

## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAMS IMPACT

The Edwin & Margaret Lee Tung Lok Early Childhood Learning Center is just one of six YMCA of San Francisco Early Childhood Education Centers.



Over the last year, nearly **550 future leaders** participated in our program, realizing similar developmental results across all centers.

In its first year of operation, 49 children, who would not otherwise have had the opportunity, received daily supportive care and education.



DEMONSTRATE **COMPREHENSION OF** AGE-APPROPRIATE TEXT



HAVE THE MATH **SKILLS NECESSARY FOR KINDERGARTEN ENTRY** 

# **POWER SCHOLARS ACADEMY**

## RESEARCH SHOWS THAT ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED YOUTH ENTER EACH NEW SCHOOL YEAR AT AN ACADEMIC DEFICIT OF 2 MONTHS FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

By fifth grade, summer learning loss typically leaves these students 2.5 to 3 years behind more affluent peers, and the results are alarming:





K-8 students in San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) are considered economically disadvantaged

SFUSD students are not meeting state ELA/ literacy and math standards



K-8 students in San Mateo County School Districts are economically disadvantaged



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To tackle this challenge, the **Power Scholars Academy** was created. The YMCA of San Francisco pulled together a network of diverse partnerships, including:

- BellXcel
- San Francisco Unified School District
- Jefferson Elementary School District
- San Bruno Park School District

- Belmont-Redwood Shores School District
- Biden Institute at University of Delaware
- University of San Francisco
- KIPP Schools

Generous donations from the Koret Foundation, supporting school districts, private donors and grant funding from SF Department of Children Youth & their Families allow us to fund our annual 6-week summer learning program for economically disadvantaged students from Pre-K through rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders.

PROVIDE
DAILY IN: READING

D TO STUDENTS AT NO COST

STRUCTION BY CERTIFIED TEACHERS, FOCUSED ON MATH AND COMPREHENSION



FAMILIES ENGAGED AS PARTNERS IN THEIR SCHOLAR'S LEARNING



WEEKLY FIELD TRIPS EXPOSE CHILDREN TO LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM



Each student received instruction for up to 90 hours

Power Scholars, on average, experienced 1.5 months of academic growth in Reading and 2.5 months in Math, reversing the expected 2-month loss in typical summer learning by 3 months.

## YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS IMPACT

**Power Scholars Academy** is just one of the many YMCA of San Francisco Youth Development programs focused on



IMPROVING ACADEMIC ENGAGEMENT

This year, our Youth Development programs helped over **10,000 youth** discover the resources, personal strengths and relationships that will help them close achievement gaps and move on to positive adult futures.

Power Scholars Academy mitigates the impact of out-of-school time (OST) learning loss.



**1,154** youth participated in this program in 2023, a **15%** increase over 2022

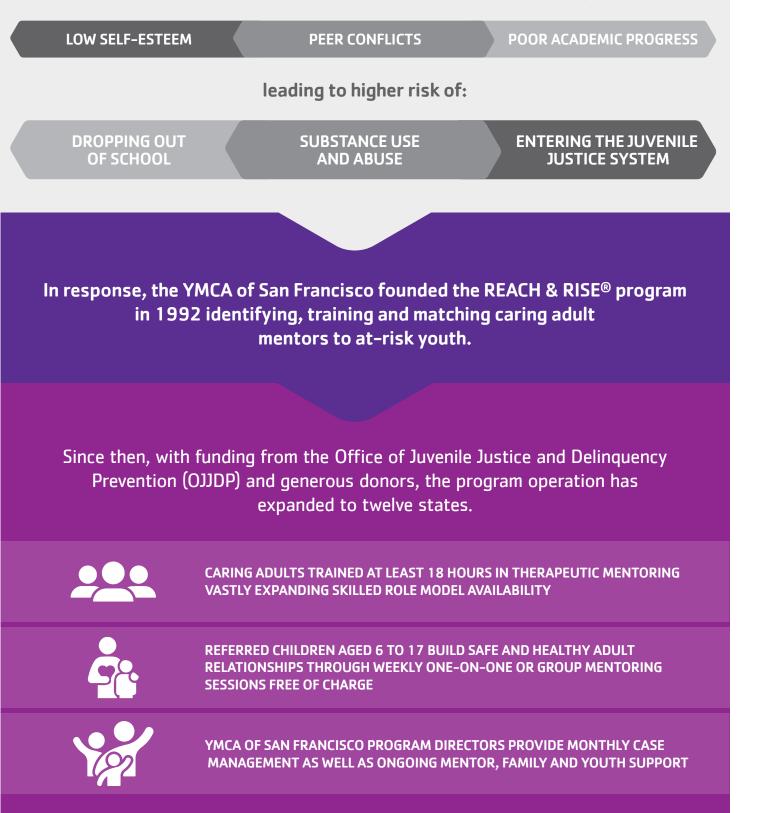


**ENABLING A CLEAR PATH TO** GRADUATION

# **REACH & RISE<sup>®</sup> MENTORING**

## IN A RECENT SURVEY, 56% OF SAN FRANCISCO 9<sup>th</sup> AND 10<sup>th</sup> GRADERS **REPORTED NOT HAVING A CARING ADULT RELATIONSHIP.**

Youth who do not have a positive role model are often predisposed to:



## A five-year randomized control trial showed that REACH & RISE® mentored youth have been impacted meaningfully.

**YOUTH HAVE RECEIVED** SUPPORT NATIONALLY **SINCE 2009** 

## **MENTORING PROGRAMS IMPACT**

2022 was the **30<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of the Reach & Rise<sup>®</sup> Program.

Under the leadership of the YMCA of San Francisco, the program has expanded throughout the United States. This year, **1,400 youth** experienced therapeutic mentoring.



**LESS LIKELY TO BE INVOLVED IN JUVENILE DELINQUENT BEHAVIORS** 



LESS LIKELY TO USE SUBSTANCES BY **DEVELOPING ALTERNATIVE COPING SKILLS** 

## **BAYVIEW SAFETY SWIM & SPLASH**

## **DROWNING IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH IN CHILDREN** ONE TO FOUR YEARS OF AGE IN THE UNITED STATES.

The fatal drowning rate of children identifying as black, indigenous and people of color (BIPOC) is five times more than Caucasian children.

When a parent does not know how to swim, there is only a **19% chance** that a child in their household will learn to swim.

It is the YMCA of San Francisco's (YSF) view that **drowning can be prevented**. YSF is using the **Bayview Safety Swim & Splash (BSSS) Program** as a model for future programming on how to reach communities most in need of swim lessons and aquatics safety.

In 2022, in response to community, we started a five-year partnership with San Francisco Recreation and Parks Department, supported by Amazon and generous private donors, as part of the India Basin Waterfront Park Initiative.



FREE SWIM LESSONS AND WATER SAFETY EDUCATION FOR K-8TH GRADE CHILDREN WHO LIVE OR GO TO SCHOOL IN BAYVIEW HUNTERS POINT



**OPERATES OUT OF THE MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. POOL IN** THE BAYVIEW HUNTERS POINT NEIGHBORHOOD



PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS ARE PROVIDED WITH FREE SWIMSUITS, TOWELS, GOGGLES AND OTHER NECESSARY EQUIPMENT



SWIM INSTRUCTORS ARE PROVIDED BY BOTH THE YMCA OF SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN FRANCISCO RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

Since its launch in 2022, the Bayview Safety Swim & Splash (BSSS) program has helped 310 youth become comfortable and confident in the water gaining important skills such as:





Our goal is to scale to serve 6,000 youth over the next 5 years.

## SAFETY AROUND WATER PROGRAMS IMPACT

**BSSS** is just one of the many YMCA of San Francisco Safety Around Water programs.





This year, over **4,000 local youth** participated in our water safety programs, opening a world of possibilities for youth to satisfy their curiosity around water safely.

**FLOAT** 



## BREATHE

**& GET TO SAFETY IF NEEDED** 





# WHOLE PERSON HEALTH

The Greater San Francisco population is aging, and therefore, experiencing accelerated physical and mental health declines. The current strain on our public healthcare system is reaching a breaking point, because the 45 and older age segment of the San Francisco population will nearly double by 2030.



1 person dies every **33 seconds** due to cardiovascular disease



**10%** of U.S. adults ages 65 and older have dementia, while another **22%** have mild cognitive impairment.



**46%** of California residents have prediabetes symptoms



Nearly **one-fourth** of adults aged 65 and older are socially isolated

Recognizing many opportunities to positively affect these trends, the YMCA of San Francisco endeavored to improve its members' "whole health" including physical, mental and emotional well-being. Ten years ago, we began partnering with local healthcare providers, university researchers and YMCA of the USA, to create and deliver evidence-based wellness programs focused on chronic disease prevention.

## **DIABETES PREVENTION PROGRAM (DPP)**

The YMCA is the country's largest in-person provider of Diabetes Prevention Programs. Over the last 10 years, the YMCA of San Francisco has supported over 100 different Diabetes Prevention Cohorts and positively improved the health and reduced the risk of diabetes in over 1,000 people. On average, after completing one-year of Diabetes Prevention Programming, participants experience:



4% OF TOTAL BODY WEIGHT LOSS

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106 ACTIVITY MINUTES PER WEEK

## **BRAIN HEALTH PROGRAM**

This year, we partnered with **Posit Science**, the creators of the **BrainHQ brain training program**, brain health experts at **UCSF**, **US Against Alzheimer's**, and the **National Institute on Aging** to deliver the Brain Health Program – a behavioral modification program aimed at improving brain health and cognitive functioning in a community group setting.

THE RESULTS FROM OUR FIRST BRAIN HEALTH PROGRAM COHORT SURPASSED OUR EXPECTATIONS!



40 PEOPLE PARTICIPATED, CONTINUE TO MEET FOR LUNCH, AND EXERCISE AND WALK TOGETHER

**100% PROGRAM RETENTION** 



100% REPORT REDUCED ANXIETY DUE TO THE FEAR OF DEMENTIA

## **HEALTH & WELLNESS PROGRAM IMPACT**

Our Whole Health Initiatives are examples of our many Health and Wellness programs.



This year, nearly **33,500 community members** participated in Health & Wellness programming at the YMCA of San Francisco.







# **CAMP JONES GULCH YMCA**

## CAMP JONES GULCH HAS BEEN THE HOME TO YMCA OF SAN FRANCISCO'S ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION & CLIMATE JUSTICE PROGRAMS FOR THE LAST 80 YEARS.

It provides the perfect environment for people of all ages to learn about the natural world around them, especially the vital role of the old-growth California redwood grove in which camp is located, including:





California's redwood forests filter trillions of gallons of water, providing clean and sustainable drinking water

Mature redwoods are highly resistant to decay, even dead and fallen trees will store carbon for centuries



Our mature coastal redwood forest is a forest that can withstand most wildfires

## This year, we committed to a partnership with the Sempervirens Fund.

To permanently protect Camp Jones Gulch's 928 acres of inspiring and vital forest, creeks, and habitat from outside logging and development, Sempervirens purchased a conservation easement for **\$9.625 million**.

The relationship provides both preservation of Camp Jones Gulch and its surrounding old growth redwood grove in perpetuity.



THE PARTNERSHIP ENABLES US TO INCREASE OUR VISITORSHIP FROM 12,000 TO 18,000 PEOPLE INCLUDING: SAN MATEO COUNTY SCHOOLS STUDENTS, FAMILIES, CORPORATE RETREATS AND PRIVATE GROUPS



UPGRADED BATHROOMS, WALKWAYS AND BOARDWALKS THROUGH THE FOREST WILL MAKE THE CAMP ADA COMPLIANT AND PROVIDE GREATER TRAIL ACCESSIBILITY



ELECTRICAL INFRASTRUCTURE IS BEING PLACED UNDERGROUND TO AID IN FIRE PREVENTION



SOLAR PANELING IS BEING INSTALLED TO PRIORITIZE RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES AND REDUCE ENERGY COST

A conservation easement and partnership with Sempervirens and the YMCA will ensure perpetual monitoring and implementation of a Stewardship Plan to:





Enhance and restore forest health Reduce the threat of wildfire

The deep investment of these partnerships makes it possible to work on envisioning the future sustainability of camp and the property for the next 80 years.

## ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AND CLIMATE JUSTICE PROGRAMS IMPACT

**Camp Jones Gulch** is just one of several different YMCA of San Francisco Environmental Education and Climate Justice programs, including Bold & Gold and Y Rangers.





This year, over **12,400 people** of all ages participated in Outdoor Enrichment opportunities to build healthy habits and meaningful connections to nature.

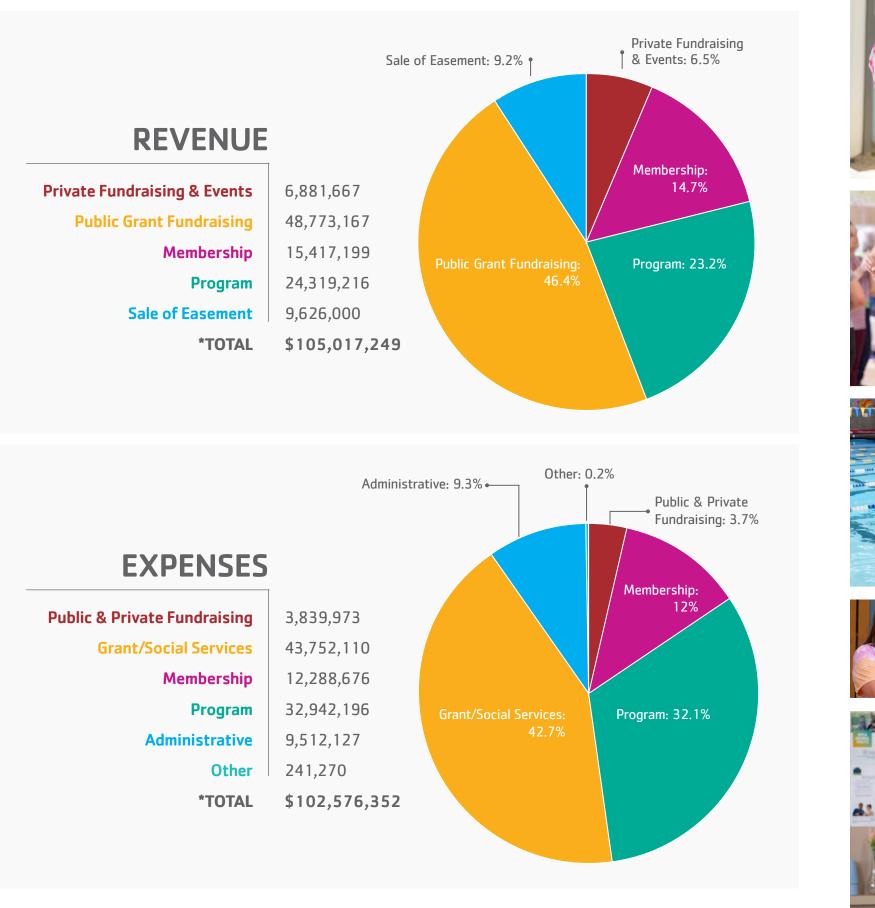


Promote climate resiliency across multiple wildlife habitats





# **FINANCIAL REPORT**



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