

COMMUNITY PARTNERS UNITED



Fostering a Safe and Caring Community

Community Partners United (CPU), a San Francisco Parks Trust Partner, is a collaboration of volunteers, community organizations, housing developments, police, business community, neighborhood associations, faith based groups and city agencies that meet on a bi-weekly basis. The group was co-founded in 2002 by Judy Edmond, Northern Safety Network Coordinator, and Richard Johnson, 2002 Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association President. Formerly Hayes Valley Community Partners, over the interceding years the number of participating community partners has continued to grow and broadened both our depth and outreach to neighborhoods like Western Addition. Our mission remains the same: to foster a safe and caring community in the neighborhoods of the Lower Haight, Hayes Valley and Western Addition located in San Francisco.

Mission:

The philosophy of the CPU is to have existing groups collaborate as partners and use their combined resources to find pro-active solutions to crime and violence. Toward that end CPU works very closely with founding partner SFPD Northern District to build a highly respected community policing model. We utilize parks, public spaces, community centers, schools and businesses as safe spaces to bring our diverse community together to share food, fun and entertainment. Our goal is to foster positive interaction and communication among diverse communities so they partner with us to attain a safe and caring community.

Our community sustainability is rooted in the equally beneficial relationship between the partners. Each partner assumes the leadership role of producing one event and all the other partners provide ongoing needed support for each event. A key component of CPU's outreach is to bring our combined community resources to residents and empower them to join us as partners to reduce crime and violence. This involvement has resulted in a yearly calendar of events that take place in schools, parks, churches, community centers, businesses and city hall.

Events:

Each year, for the last eight years, we have ended each year with our "Fostering a Safe and Caring Holiday Season". The season has grown so it now begins in October with Halloween events continues into November with a Thanksgiving event and concludes with a month long schedule of events in December. Since our first season we still strive

to reduce the stress and strain associated with the holidays, in December, on low income families. Last years event included a food basket giveaway to over 250 families, wreath & card making by youth and community , performances by a children's choir, holiday dinner for youth and seniors and participation in the 19^h Annual Hayes Valley December Block Party.

Partners:

CPU founding partners include; Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association, Hayes Valley Playground, CommunityGrows (former Hayes Valley Neighborhood Parks Group), Operation Contact, CREES, Northern District Safety Network, SFPD Northern Police District and Hayes Valley North & South Apartments. Since then we have added the following groups and individuals as partners: Mo'Magic, Western Addition Beacon Center, Western Addition Critical Response Network, John Muir PTA, Lower Haight Merchant & Neighborhood Association, Ammel Park Cooperative, Plaza East Apartments, SGI-USA, Neighborhood Baptist Church, Neighborhood Faith Based Groups, Mayors Office of Neighborhood Services and Supervisor Ross Mirkarimi and Staff.

Awards:

The CPU has received several commendations, awards and honors for our community policing from Mayor Newsom, Supervisor Mirkarimi and the Board of Supervisors and California State Senator Leno.

All funds raised, minus a 5% administrative fee, go directly into our activities. Administrative support is donated through the work of our committee members. San Francisco Parks Trust (SFPT), a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, serves as our fiscal sponsor. Donations, subject to law, are tax deductible and the SFPT Tax ID# is 23-7131784.

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The Community Partners United, a San Francisco Parks Trust Parks Partner, is a collaboration of community organizations, service agencies, police and city agencies working together to support a safe and healthy community.

SF Rec & Park Hayes Valley Playground

Mo'Magic

The Safety Network Program

Hayward Rec Connect

SF SAFE

Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association

SF Police Dept –Northern Station

Supervisor Mirkarimi & Staff

Mayors Office of Neighborhood Services

CommunityGrows

Western Addition Beacon Center

John Muir PTA

SGI-USA

Neighborhood Baptist Church

Hayes Valley North and South Apts

Hayes Valley
Resident Management Corporation

Ammel Park Cooperative

**The San Francisco Parks Trust is
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**9th Annual
“Fostering a Safe and Caring Community”
Holiday Season 2010**

Community Partners United, a San Francisco Parks Trust Partner, is a collaboration of volunteers, community organizations, housing developments, police, business community, neighborhood associations and both city agencies & elected officials. We are already in the planning and fundraising stages for our 9th Annual “Fostering a Safe and Caring Holiday Season 2010”.

Scheduled activities to date include the following events:

- October Halloween Poster Contest for local youth
- Haunted house at the California Public Utilities Commission Friday October 29th, 2010
- Safe Halloween Weekend in Lower Haight/Hayes Valley/Western Addition October 29th thru 31st, 2010
 - Friday October 29th Buchanan YMCA/Western Addition Beacon Center Haunted House
 - Friday October 29th Ca PUC 13th Annual Haunted House for local school children
 - Saturday October 30th African American Arts & Culture Complex Haunted House
 - Sunday October 31st Hayes Valley South Community Room
- 7th Annual Giving Voice to the Season Thanksgiving Dinner and entertainment noon to 3pm Saturday November 20th, 2010
- 6th Annual Giving Voice to the Season Community Sing Along 6 to 9 pm Friday December 3rd, 2010 at Patricia's Green
- Participation in the 20th Annual Hayes Valley Merchants Block Party 6 to 9 pm Friday December 3rd, 2010
- Eighth Annual Wreath and Card Making Event 1pm-4pm Saturday December 11th, 2010 located at Hayes Valley South Community room 403 Rose.
- 9th Annual Food Give Away to 250 families December 16th and 17th, 2010
- 9th Annual Community Luncheon Saturday December 18th, 2010

The Community Partners United use this event, as well as all our other activities, as building blocks that increase community involvement, expand leadership skills and bridge the intergenerational gap between youth and seniors. Last years event included a food basket giveaway to 250 families, wreath & card making by youth and community, performances by a children's choir, holiday dinner for youth and seniors and participation in the 19th Annual Hayes Valley December Block Party.

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