# 2022 **IMPACT REPORT**



## **FAITH IN ACTION**



**CHRISTINA ALVAREZ** 

For the past 45 years, Episcopal Impact Fund has advanced pathways out of poverty for the most vulnerable members of our community. We come together to put our faith into action, investing in opportunities to make a more equitable future for Bay Area families living in poverty.

In 2022, our Community Grants supported nonprofit organizations working to tackle the region's affordable housing crisis by promoting housing and economic stability for families and youth. We also continued to support the churches of the Diocese of California in their social ministries.

To expand our impact, we added to our grantmaking portfolio by including the launch of the "Say Yes!" Fund, which honors the legacy of retired Executive Director Kathleen Piraino, and her willingness to partner with grantees when unexpected needs occurred. Understanding that we will not affect the root causes of poverty without engaging in systems change, we also added new Advocacy Grants to our philanthropy.

We are deeply grateful to you, our community, and the love you continue to share with Episcopal Impact Fund.

With gratitude,

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Christina Alvarez Executive Director

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# MISSION

Episcopal Impact Fund serves organizations that address the root causes of poverty in the Bay Area. In 2022, we prioritized funding organizations that provide transitional or permanent supportive housing for families, youth, or young adults. Together we hope to build a world without poverty, where all members of our community are safe, housed, and prospering.

# IMPACT

### **100,000+** Number of People Served

\$885,600+ Grants Distributed

**47** Number of Organizations Supported

"With Episcopal Impact Fund behind us, we're able to help youth realize their full potential and make sure they can take advantage of every opportunity this great city has to offer." Joi Jackson-Morgan, Executive Director, 3rd Street Youth Center & Clinic, Bayview Hunters Point, San Francisco





## ADVOCACY GRANTS

By supporting organizations that influence the policies affecting children, youth, and families, we impact the systemic inequalities that fuel poverty in the Bay Area. In 2022, Episcopal Impact Fund initiated grants to organizations that are working and speaking up on behalf of our neighbors living in poverty.

#### California Court Appointed Special Advocates Association (CASA)

CASA raises awareness of the need for Court Appointed Special Advocates across our state and provides support, advice, resources, and oversight to maintain high-quality programs that serve children's best interests. CASA advocates for legislation that benefits children in foster care.

#### **Parent Voices Oakland**

Parent Voices Oakland (PVO) is a parent-led grassroots organization that advocates for affordable, accessible, quality childcare. PVO organizes and empowers families with the highest need to build effective campaigns toward economic and educational justice.



## **COMMUNITY GRANTS**

Episcopal Impact Fund is proud to support the life-changing work of nonprofits and congregations in every part of the Bay Area. Our Community Grants focused on organizations that reduce barriers to housing stability for vulnerable members of our local community. In selecting our grantees, we look for a commitment to measurable impact, diverse leadership, and continuous learning and improvement. The Impact Fund is proud to support each of these powerful changemakers!

#### **3rd Street Youth Center & Clinic**

3rd Street Youth Center & Clinic partners with the City and County of San Francisco to operate the Lower Polk Transitional Age Youth Navigation Center providing shelter, meals, and case management to youth and young adults. Additional services include a medical clinic, youth development programs and educational support.

#### A Diamond in the Ruff

A Diamond in the Ruff provides emergency and transitional housing for women and their children in Alameda County who are survivors of domestic violence and experiencing housing and economic instability.

#### **Attitudinal Healing Connection**

Attitudinal Healing Connection empowers individuals to be self-aware and inspired through art, creativity, and education, and to make positive choices to break the cycle of violence for themselves and their communities.

#### **Beyond Emancipation**

Beyond Emancipation works with youth exiting foster care, providing housing, coaching and other services to empower youth to achieve successful and independent adult lives.

#### **Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency**

Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency provides a variety of programs and services tailored to assist justice-involved individuals successful reintegrate into the community, transition into stable housing, reunify with family, and develop healthy relationships.

#### **Family Connections Centers**

Family Connections Centers supports healthy and safe communities that foster the growth and development of children, providing a continuum of care from birth through adulthood and engaging with multiple generations in families.



# COMMUNITY CONT.

#### **First Place for Youth**

First Place for Youth helps foster youth build the skills they need to make a successful transition to self-sufficiency and responsible adulthood.

#### **Greater Richmond Interfaith Program**

Greater Richmond Interfaith Program provides the only shelter for families experiencing homelessness in Western Contra Costa County. Their services include case management, housing navigation, and youth programs.

#### Hope Horizon East Palo Alto

Hope Horizon equips youth in East Palo Alto to grow spiritually, gain life skills, and develop as leaders so that they have hope and a future.

#### **Hope Solutions**

Hope Solutions' housing-first approach, coupled with supportive services, brings dignity to their clients and helps them rebuild their community.

#### **Indigenous Permaculture**

Indigenous Permaculture grows fresh, healthy food for those who need it and provides education and workshops that empower people to grow their own food and connect with their neighborhood.

#### **New Creation Home Ministries**

New Creation Home Ministries provides temporary housing to women experiencing violence, addiction, and homelessness and their children.

#### **Oakland Elizabeth House**

Oakland Elizabeth House provides cooperative supportive housing and services to women with children while helping them transition to independent living.

#### **Raphael House**

Raphael House provides family-centered shelter to low-income families and those experiencing homelessness to help them achieve stability and independence.

#### **Rebuilding Together SF**

Rebuilding Together SF provides home repair and renovation programs for homeowners, renters, non-profit organizations, and community spaces.

#### **Serenity House Oakland**

Serenity House Oakland helps women that are survivors of addiction, violence, homelessness, and incarceration heal, and achieve their dreams, living in their purpose.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Society of Marin

St. Vincent de Paul Society of Marin provides compassionate care and critical services to residents of Marin County who are struggling to make ends meet.

#### **The Gubbio Project**

The Gubbio Project provides houseless guests with sacred sleep, access to basic healthcare, daily provisions, and supplies necessary for those living on the streets.

#### Winter Nights Family Shelter

Winter Nights Family Shelter partners with congregations in Contra Costa County to provide families with shelter and meals in indoor tents 38 weeks per year.

### **COMMUNITY GRANTEE SPOTLIGHT**

#### **New Creation Home Ministries**

Established in 1998, New Creation Home Ministries in East Palo Alto is a transitional residential program for women with children who have experienced homelessness, domestic violence, addiction, or poverty.

New Creation Home helps pregnant and parenting mothers in need to build a life of long-term independence. Many of the young women coming to New Creation Home are arriving with nothing more the clothes on their backs after living on the streets, on friends' couches, in shelters, or in their cars. They have little support and little to call their own.

Part of New Creation Home's mission is to start a new story for the families they serve – the story of putting homelessness and poverty behind them and their kids, forever.

By providing a holistic approach which includes supportive housing, parenting resources, and a loving community, mothers and their children are able to build a brighter future.



# **CONGREGATIONAL GRANTS**

### Episcopal Impact Fund's Congregational Grants assist churches in the Diocese of California with their social ministries serving their low-income neighbors.

In 2022, the Impact Fund was grateful to fund and partner with the following churches:

#### All Saints Episcopal Church, San Francisco

Haight Ashbury Community Services, housed at All Saints' Episcopal Church, provides a hot, nutritious meal to up to 120 of food-insecure neighbors, including families who are unhoused.

#### All Saints Episcopal Church, San Leandro

All Saints Episcopal Church operates a robust twice monthly food pantry that distributes three large bags of groceries per household to local neighbors. Each food pantry is currently frequented by 300 households – triple the pre-pandemic rate.

#### All Souls Episcopal Church, Berkeley

All Souls Parish serves a monthly "Open Door" jambalaya dinner to residents of their new affordable senior residence Jordan Court.

#### Christ Episcopal Church, Alameda

The Homeless Warming Shelter at Christ Church Alameda provides shelter, toiletries, and meals to individuals experiencing homelessness in Alameda. Funding from the Impact Fund supported the expansion of the shower program for unhoused neighbors.

#### **Christ Church Portola Valley & Woodside**

Christ Church Portola Valley & Woodside provides linens and other household supplies to residents of the LifeMoves Family Shelter program in an ongoing effort to support families experiencing poverty in their community.

#### Christ Episcopal Church, Sausalito

Christ Church Sausalito provides substantial homemade meals to 25-30 food insecure and isolated seniors weekly in the Sausalito/Marin City area.

#### Episcopal Church of Our Saviour, Oakland

Episcopal Church of Our Saviour created new programs to assist isolated seniors and other members of their congregation, including translation services, ESL/literacy classes, and other much needed support.

#### Church of the Resurrection, Pleasant Hill

Church of the Resurrection maintains a fruit orchard - orange, apple, lemon, grapefruit, and fig - that provides 1,500 to 2,000 pounds of fruit to Contra Costa Food Bank annually.

#### The Community Preschool at Grace Cathedral

The Community Preschool provides high-quality early childhood education at no cost for 1/3 of the children it serves and subsidizes the cost for an additional 1/3 of the students.

#### St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church, San Francisco

The Gubbio Project, now fully located at St John's, provides sacred sleep for unhoused people in need of safe, compassionate respite during the day. The Impact Fund grant will allow the church to refinish damaged floors and install a secure storage system for use by The Gubbio Project.

#### The Episcopal Church of St. Mary the Virgin, San Francisco

St. Mary the Virgin's Justice Ministries program provides accompaniment to newly arrived asylum seekers in the Bay Area, helping them secure housing, food, ESL classes and other assistance, as well as much needed social connection and support.

#### Holy Child and St. Martin Episcopal Church, Daly City

Holy Child supports 50-70 of its neighbors experiencing food insecurity and poverty by providing healthy, fresh groceries in collaboration with local Lucky and Trader Joe's supermarkets.





#### St. James Episcopal Church – Iglesia Episcopal de Santiago, Oakland

Santiago provides enrichment to low-income families with children by sponsoring a free series of Afro-Peruvian music and dance workshops and summer camp for neighborhood children. The church, in collaboration with Indigenous Permaculture, also provides groceries for participating families.

#### St. Gregory of Nyssa Episcopal Church, San Francisco

The Food Pantry provides free, healthy groceries for up to 600 hungry families every Saturday.

#### St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church, Novato

St. Francis Free Food Pantry was founded during the pandemic, in response to the increased need for accessible food in the local community. It supports a neighborhood where more than 20% of residents live at or below the poverty line.

#### St. John's Episcopal Church, Ross

St John's Church makes and delivers 100-150 nutritious meals per month for low-income and unhoused people in Marin County.

#### St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Palo Alto

St Mark's collaborates with Correctional Institutions Chaplaincy to support trauma-informed chaplaincy services to incarcerated people in Santa Clara County.

#### St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Belvedere

St Stephen's Church makes and delivers over 100 nutritious meals per week for low-income and unhoused people in Marin County.

#### Trinity Church, Menlo Park

Trinity Church supports Ecumenical Hunger Program by providing back-to-school supplies and Christmas gifts to families in East Palo Alto.

#### True Sunshine Episcopal Church, San Francisco

True Sunshine supports their low-income congregants and community with programs, including a no-cost after school program in conjunction with Jean Parker Elementary School.

### CONGREGATIONAL GRANTEE SPOTLIGHT

#### **Christ Church Portola Valley & Woodside**

For those transitioning out of homelessness or aging out of the foster care system, even the simplest of household goods are unaffordable. While these may seem like small items, they are fundamental to making supportive housing into a real home, increasing confidence, a sense of security, and stability for children, youth, and families.

Christ Church started small with a Towel Drive in support of 50 families. But seeing the 'gulp inducing' greater need, they increased their commitment with a Fall Linen Drive (blankets, sheets, pillows, and towels) in support of more than 90 families across seven shelters. Empowered by the success of the program, Christ Church wanted to do even more. In 2023, thanks to a grant from Episcopal Impact Fund, Christ Church will add a Spring Linen Drive to meet more of the year-round needs of their partner, LifeMoves' shelter residents.

Their goal is for each family – while they are living in the shelter and transitioning to permanent housing – to have the gift of new linens from their neighbors as they make their house into a home.

#### "We are grateful to the Impact Fund for the grant. This program is so important to our congregation and community and is having a huge impact in the lives of those affected by housing insecurity."

The Rev. Beth Phillips, Rector Christ Church Portola Valley & Woodside



## **SHARING THE LOVE**

For 45 years, Episcopal Impact Fund has honored its heritage with additional community-focused grants based on the Episcopal values of faithfulness, inclusiveness, and compassion.

Episcopal Impact Fund administers The Brotherton Fund, named after the founder of the former St. Luke's Hospital (now the Mission/Bernal Campus of California Pacific Medical Center). This hospital serves many lowincome, uninsured, and underinsured San Franciscans.

Episcopal Impact Fund is the founder and lead funder of two innovative programs at the hospital:

- The Perinatal Mental Healthcare Program provides critical psychiatric and psychological care to pregnant women and new mothers free of charge. By embedding this program within existing labor and delivery services, we ensure that women receive the care they need in a familiar and trusted setting.
- The Pediatric Mental Healthcare Program brings onsite, outpatient mental health care resources to low-income children and their families. Our grant enables these services to be offered free of charge to all patients.

On behalf of the Diocese of California, Episcopal Impact Fund administers four endowments that specifically serve elders, people impacted by the justice system, and people in recovery. This year, our social ministry grants went to:

#### **Art with Elders**

Programs that celebrate the wisdom, talent, and creativity of older adults living in long-term care facilities.

#### **Episcopal Community Services**

Housing stabilization program for adults exiting the criminal justice system who are on parole or participating in the Post-Release Community Supervision Program.

#### **Ohlhoff Recovery Programs**

A continuum of effective, affordable treatment for drug and alcohol addiction.

#### Sojourn Chaplaincy

Multi-faith spiritual care for patients and staff at San Francisco General Hospital, including people who are housing insecure and incarcerated.

## YOUR SUPPORT MEANS THE WORLD TO US!

## Take the impact of your giving to new heights by supporting one of these special programs at the Impact Fund.

#### **CIRCLE OF LIGHT - LEGACY GIVING SOCIETY**

How we use our gifts after our lifetime can be as meaningful as how we used them during our lives. Bequests and other planned gifts to Episcopal Impact Fund enable you to continue sharing your resources with the Bay Area community you care about.

episcopalimpact.org/planned-giving

#### **COMPASSION IN ACTION - MONTHLY GIVING CIRCLE**

When you sign up to be a monthly donor, you join a group of committed supporters who are putting their faith into action. As a monthly donor, you will provide the consistent resources we need to end poverty in our community. Your monthly gift will make a meaningful impact all year long.

#### episcopalimpact.org/donate-now

#### THE KATHLEEN PIRAINO "SAY YES!" FUND

The needs of nonprofits do not always align with granting cycles or fall within restricted categories - emergencies occur, funding runs low, life happens. Kathleen always found a way to "Say Yes!" when other avenues had failed.

To honor her commitment to saying yes in the face of greatest need, the Kathleen Piraino "Say Yes!" Executive Director Discretionary Fund will continue Kathleen's legacy beyond her retirement.

#### episcopalimpact.org/say-yes-fund



# LEADERSHIP

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### LOVE IS THE WAY

After two years apart, we were delighted to gather again as a community to celebrate Night of Light and the deeply meaningful work of Episcopal Impact Fund. At the event, I was joined in conversation by The Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry. Together, we discussed *the power of love*, and the profound difference love makes in the life of each member of our community. We celebrated love in all its forms – the good, the gracious, the kind, and the generous – concluding that love is the positive equivalent of unleashing the power of the atom into the world.

Episcopal Impact Fund lives in *the power of love* by providing financial support, mentorship, and guidance to non-profit organizations and churches whose programs address the root causes of poverty in the San Francisco Bay Area. I invite you to join me in supporting the Impact Fund as they work to spread *the power of love* amongst the most vulnerable in the Bay Area.

Faithfully,

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