



DEEP ROOTS NEW GROWTH

IN 2021, THE OAKLAND PEACE CENTER WILL BECOME OFFICIALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BUILDING LOCATED AT 111 FAIRMOUNT AVENUE.

This dream in the hearts of maybe 20 people, about ten years ago, will serve hundreds of thousands of people for decades to come.

We are giddy with excitement. We are grateful to the generations before who preserved this space for this moment. We are humbled at the task of preserving an architectural legacy and preserving space for a community being squeezed out of its neighborhood as high end condos, bars and restaurants begin to dot the landscape.

And we are very clear on the concrete next steps:

- We have formed a team of over 20 people helping to raise \$1 million to preserve a building with 50 years of deferred maintenance.
- A task force of neighbors, building users

(partners) and OPC staff have helped us think through how to manage the facility in ways that reflect our commitment to equity and fostering peace through radical inclusion.

- A team of OPC partners is exploring the possibility of developing affordable housing that will serve the least served in our community and will contribute to the culture of peace in our neighborhood. We'll be engaging in conversations with neighbors (housed and unhoused), nonprofits and developers.

An annual report usually focuses on the previous fiscal year, but so much of our work has been focused on this big landmark that we wanted to make sure you knew about it from us first.

If you'd like to support the building campaign,

OUR WEB OF PARTNERS



FINANCIAL GROWTH

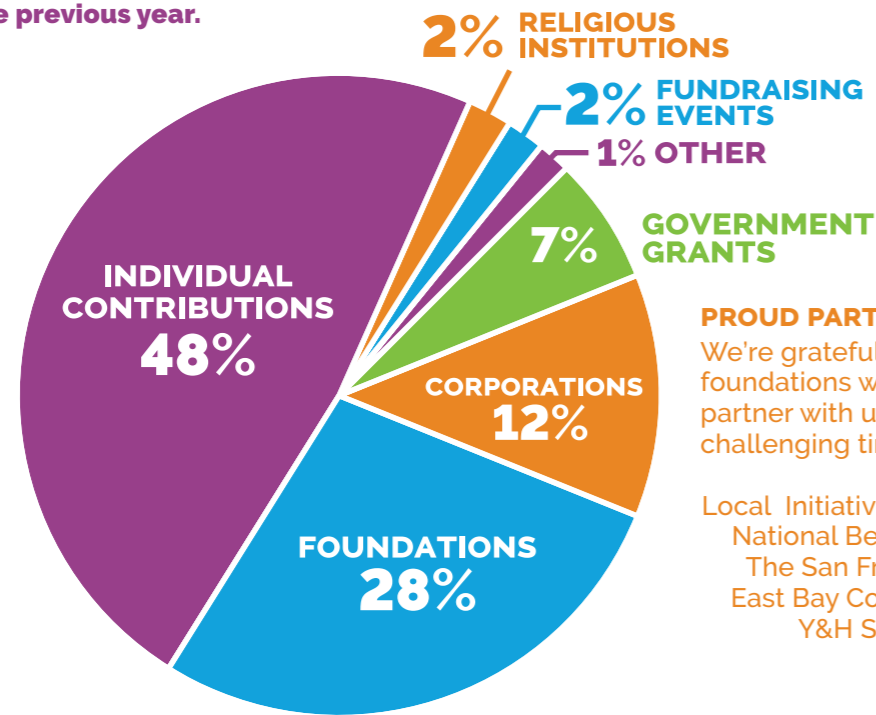
PERSEVERANCE AND RESILIENCE

Despite COVID severely impacting our fundraising abilities for almost half of our fiscal year, **we still increased our income by \$15,000 from the previous year.**

INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS INCREASED BY **27%** COMPARED TO 2018-2019

WE RECEIVED CONTRIBUTIONS FROM **304** INDIVIDUALS, AN **84% INCREASE** FROM 2018-2019

2019-20 REVENUE: **\$150,155** 2018-19 REVENUE: **\$135,526**



PROUD PARTNERSHIPS

We're grateful to partner with these foundations who have continued to partner with us through this very challenging time.

Local Initiatives Support Corporation
National Benevolent Association
The San Francisco Foundation
East Bay Community Foundation
Y&H Soda Foundation

PROGRAMMING GROWTH

COVID hit non-profit organizations very hard. For the OPC, it meant that we had to let go two incredibly gifted staff members, JK Fowler and Jessy Zapata. Due to a PPP loan from the government, we were blessed to be able to bring on two development staff at half-time, Angela Urata and Jim Mitulski. We also had to end our youth peace fellowship early and bid a sad farewell to our inaugural peace fellows, although we are working to re-launch that program in the next year so that youth of color in our community have the hard skills to serve non-profits in our community that need their wisdom and rootedness in community.

Two programs emerged due to COVID, centered on our most important value: community.

COMMUNITY GARDEN

We got a beautiful community garden going last fall thanks to our partners at Hummingbirds Urban Farms and Planting Justice. When COVID hit, neighbors noted that they wanted to help and also that the drying up of the gig economy was creating some food insecurity in our neighborhood. With support from the San Francisco Foundation and National Benevolent Association, we now have fifteen community members forging relationships toward building out a bigger food program.

BELOVED BOOK COMMUNITY

In response to having to shut down our in-person programs, we leaned into creating a book group that's more than a book group: The Beloved Book Community. Grounded in anti-oppression storytelling analysis, the group has developed connections and is thinking through strategies for incorporating OPC values into our everyday lives. It has been beautiful to watch connection emerge in this time of isolation.

NEW GROWTH

DEEP ROOTS

OUR BOARD

Renato Almanzor (chair)
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OUR STAFF

Alexandra Candia (operations)
JK Fowler (communications)
Clidell "Franceyez" Jackson (facilities)
Sandhya Jha (executive director)
Jim Mitulski (development)
Malaika Parker (grants)
Angela Urata (development)
Jessy Zapata (programs and partnerships)

PEACE FELLOWS

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It is with heartbreak that we grieve the loss of beloved Board member Karen Barrett, who brought wisdom, joy and a commitment to peace, justice and radical inclusion to our collective work and life. Your legacy will continue to shape our future.

THE OAKLAND PEACE CENTER

exists in large part to build connections between nonprofits who would normally be isolated from each other, and to connect our neighbors with their amazing work.

DURING THESE TIMES OF COVID, WE HAVE FOCUSED OUR EFFORTS ON

COMMUNITY BUILDING THROUGH PROGRAMMING AND PARTNERSHIP

PEACE WEAVERS

A monthly talk series that connects the community to our partners who do restorative justice, everyday equity, young women's empowerment and more. We hope that these efforts will ripple out into the community and we will see peace practices in every crevice of our life together.

OAKLAND PEACE FESTIVAL

Nomadic Press's three part festival, featuring amazing community leaders, poets, artists and local businesses with heart. Art and activism intersected in beautiful ways in that space thanks to their hard work and partnership with the OPC facilities coordinator in particular.

MLK DAY EVENT

On our eighth anniversary event, over 150 people came together on MLK Day to tour the building and dream how every inch of it could be used to further our vision of peace. In addition, they imagined what a peace-filled Oakland will look like 20 years from now and committed to their own role in that work.