A community anti-poverty education initiative

To close the achievement gap for Latino students in San Francisco’s Mission District, 20 partners agreed to a common agenda and shared measurement.

Started in 2013, MPN is a cradle-to-career continuum of wraparound services to strengthen families and students.
Based on the theory that economic stability for families will lead to **improved outcomes** in school, the Mission Promise Neighborhood (MPN) two-generation approach serves families at nine K-12 schools, three early learning centers and 11 family child care providers — connecting families to services, supporting students and guardians in schools, and using Results-Based Accountability to define and measure outcomes.

**KEY RESULTS**

**20,873** individuals served across all MPN programs since partners began sharing information in 2013.

**9,893** below-market-rate (BMR) housing applications completed with 2,850 families since 2015.

**6,458+** referrals across the partner network since 2014, connecting families to jobs, health care, legal services and more.

**Our Annual Budget:**

$3.5M
More Results

- Families reporting a medical home for children 0-5 increased from 61 percent in 2016 to 80 percent in 2018.
- Meeting 100 percent of the need for preschool slots for subsidy-eligible children in the Mission.
- 5-year-olds who tested as kinder-ready increased from 25 percent in 2015 to 45 percent in 2018 at target schools.
- Students testing at or above grade-level in Eighth-Grade Math increased from 30.2 percent in 2015 to 41.8 percent in 2018.
- Students testing at or above grade-level in Eighth-Grade English Language Arts increased from 22.1 percent in 2013 to 36.2 percent in 2018.
- High school graduation rates at target high school increased from 68 percent in 2012 to 89 percent in 2018.

Our Opportunity

Service providers in the Mission have invested in aligning their work around a common set of goals and that collective work is now bearing fruit – in improved outcomes for students and families, as well as in greater capacity for organizations on the ground. We have an opportunity to leverage what we have learned and the momentum we have gained to support families who are at the highest risk of displacement during this housing crisis and under increased pressure from anti-immigrant policies by the Federal Government.

MPN’S WORK HAS LED TO ...

- Development and preservation of affordable housing in San Francisco’s Mission District.
- Creation of permanently affordable real estate space for nonprofits and community-serving retail in the Mission.
- The launch of California Promise Neighborhoods Network (CPNN) to build the impact of Promise Neighborhoods statewide.
- Leadership development and advocacy opportunities leading to parents organizing for political power and systems change.
- Synchronicity between service providers across the Mission who have aligned to advocate for funding, housing policies, and education policies specifically targeted to improve the lives of San Francisco’s Latino families.
THE RISK TO OUR COMMUNITY

MPN funding ends June 30, 2020, when the federal grant sunsets. The California Promise Neighborhoods Act of 2019 (SB 686) would create a new program to award competitive grants to 20 Promise Neighborhoods across the state.

The bill has been approved by the full Senate and the Assembly Education Committee, but is currently being held at the Governor’s request for next year. If this bill is successful and approved in July 2020, the state funding could eventually help MPN; however, the funding would be too late to cover MPN’s operating costs between July 1, 2020 and time to full implementation of the new grant program. **We are now seeking both stop-gap and ongoing funding from alternative sources.**

MPN partners have invested in building infrastructure that makes the alignment of our work possible. Losing funding means not just losing valuable services to students and families in the Mission — it also means the loss of the multiplier effect of many organizations complementing one another’s strengths during a time when they are needed the most.
### MPN Partners

#### MPN-Funded CBOs: $1.5M
- Felton Institute
- Good Samaritan Family Resource Center
- Homeless Prenatal
- Instituto Familiar de la Raza
- Jamestown Community Center
- La Raza Centro Legal
- Mission Graduates
- Mission Neighborhood Centers, Inc.
- Mission Neighborhood Health Center
- Nurse-Midwives of SFZGH
- Parents for Public Schools
- Seven Teepees
- SFUSD—Early Education Department
- Support for Families
- Tandem, Partners in Early Learning
- YMCA Urban Services

#### Backbone Support Personnel: $1.5M
- Promise Neighborhood Director
- Associate Director
- K-12 Program Manager
- Early Learning Program Manager
- Family Support Program Manager
- School-Based K-12 Family Success Coaches (8)
- Early Learning Family Success Coaches (3)
- Administrative Coordinator

#### Institutional Partners
- Children’s Council of San Francisco
- Department of Children, Youth and Their Families
- First 5 San Francisco
- San Francisco Department of Public Health
- San Francisco Mayor’s Office of Housing & Community Development
- San Francisco Office of Early Care and Education
- San Francisco Office of Economic and Workforce Development
- San Francisco Unified School District
- San Francisco Office of the Mayor
Kindergarten readiness scores increased from 25 percent in 2015 to 45 percent in 2018 at Bryant and Chavez Elementary Schools (combined).

High school graduation rates increased from 68 percent in 2012 to 89 percent in 2018, exceeding the overall district rate.

We must keep this momentum going as an anti-poverty strategy.
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It takes a community of support to ensure all of our kids in the Mission have the tools to succeed.

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Additional information on the impact of the Mission Promise Neighborhood can be found @ missionpromise.org