

A photograph of two young girls smiling and embracing each other. The girl on the left is Black with braided hair and large colorful earrings, wearing a light pink zip-up shirt and blue jeans. The girl on the right is white with blonde hair, wearing a pink zip-up hoodie with a yellow butterfly pattern. They are standing in front of a large, colorful mural depicting a group of people, with some text visible in the background, including "Booker T. Washington".

Booker T. Washington Community Service Center

Sustaining a Tradition of Hope and Care

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For nearly a century, the **Booker T. Washington Community Service Center (BTWCSC)** has served the children and families of our neighborhoods as a unique oasis for personal and community empowerment. Whether it's after-school tutoring for kids or senior services for the elderly, BTWCSC has a long history of meeting the needs of residents of Lower Pacific Heights, the Western Addition in particular, and neighborhoods throughout the City of San Francisco.

With a proud history to build on, we're now looking toward the future. Our existing facility at Presidio Avenue and Sutter Street is cramped, dilapidated, and functionally obsolete, and it's going to take change to meet the ongoing needs of San Francisco youth, families and seniors. We are committed to rebuilding our community center and reshaping our programs to keep pace with the changing requirements of the communities that we serve.

“Now more than ever, it is imperative that the Booker T. Washington Center provide essential care and services for the people of the Western Addition and neighboring communities.”

—Former Mayor Willie Brown



“Booker T. Washington Community Service Center is a beacon of hope and a social service safety net for residents who mirror the diversity of the city.”

– Doreen Der-McLeod, Executive Director, Cameron House





“The people at Booker T. have helped me to help myself. I always know they have my back and are looking out for me.”

– Mercedes West, emancipated foster youth

The mission of the Booker T. Washington Community Service Center remains constant even as our programs and facilities evolve to meet the changing needs of San Francisco. We provide pragmatic assistance and resources to the people in our community who need them most, including programs such as:

- After-school tutoring and mentoring;
- Sports, recreation, music and media activities;
- Foster youth support and advocacy;
- Health and nutrition assistance;
- Senior activities;
- Field trips and summer programs;
- Arts and crafts classes; and
- Computer and career training.

Booker T. Washington Community Service Center is more than just a local neighborhood center. It is the cornerstone of a commitment made long ago to turn concepts of personal responsibility, social justice, dignity and compassion into a reality for San Francisco’s young people, families and seniors.

***“We love the Booker T. Washington Center!
The A+ Computer Training will help us find
better jobs.”***

– Ming and Ana, Booker T. Washington clients





“The Booker T. Washington Community Service Center is an established and vital fixture in District 2. I will continue to support all the great work it does for families and children.”

**—Supervisor
Michela Alioto-Pier**



Conceptual Drawing

Booker T. Washington Community Service Center is working to create a neighborhood sanctuary where people can live and enrich themselves at one special place. Our new home will replace our existing obsolete facility and enable us to upgrade client services and provide new housing in a safe, family friendly environment.

The core components of this project include:

- A new community center with facilities that are fully ADA compliant;
- A new high quality building that is respectful of the distinct architectural character of the surrounding neighborhood;
- Approximately 47 new homes affordable for San Francisco families, transitional aged youth (18-24), including emancipated foster youth;
- A state-of-the-art gymnasium;
- A new playground, garden and open space area; and
- A youth center offering academic support, childcare and technical training.

We need your support to make this happen!

If you have any questions about this project please call Pat Scott at (415) 928-6596 or e-mail pscott@btwsc.org



“I can’t think of a better project than the BTWCSC mixed-use project. It will be a real haven that offers mixed income housing, social services and recreation in one wonderful location. Bravo!”

– Kelly Dearman, affordable housing advocate