



Jazz it Up!

THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2026

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a safe place to call home.*

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Building Futures' mission is to build communities with underserved families and individuals where they are safely housed, free from homelessness and family violence.

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WELCOME TO JAZZ IT UP! 2026

Emcee: Nicole Hankton

TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

5:00 PM Social hour with bar and appetizers

5:30 PM Buffet dinner and live jazz performance

Tonight's musicians: Master keyboardist Steve Carter, vocalist Misa Malone, guitarist Dennis Smith, and percussionist Alcide Marshall, and special guests

6:15 PM Mission Moment Spoken Program

- Liz Varela
- Sabrina Thomas, Jennifer Co, and Cecilia Flores
- Cristi Ritschel

Interlude, mingling, and opportunities to give

7:00 PM Live jazz, desserts, celebration

7:45 PM Raffle drawing and farewell

8:00 PM We're grateful you joined us—good night!

TWO WAYS TO GIVE TODAY

1. Matching Gift! The first \$10k raised today will be matched. (next page for details)

2. Get raffle tickets! (back cover for details)

100% of the net proceeds from this fundraising event supports our homeless, domestic violence and housing services in Alameda County.

MATCHING GIFT:

Donate Today to Double Your Impact!

The first \$10,000 raised today will be matched, dollar for dollar, by an anonymous donor!

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Other ways to give:

- Check
- Pledge by email at development@bfwc.org.
- Turn in your pledge form where raffle tickets are sold.

Donations for raffle tickets are not eligible for today's matching gift.

GIVING LEVELS

\$1,000	Five nights in a hotel with emergency supplies and food, for a mother and her children fleeing abuse
\$750	A move-in kit for an individual or family newly connected with housing
\$500	Children's Program supplies and activities at the shelters
\$250	Weekly laundry day in San Leandro and Alameda
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IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

Building Futures is proud to share the numbers behind the individuals and families we helped between July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025. With the help of our community, we continued to help those we serve to build new futures after homelessness and domestic violence.



56%

of residents at Midway, San Leandro and Sister Me Home shelters were children

314

people received domestic violence counseling, education and safety planning

2,916

households with deep needs received tailored support around homelessness, domestic violence and housing

26,136

nights of shelter provided to 310 people

8,338

hours volunteered by dinner donors and local community members

100+

staff members ending homelessness one key at a time.

78,408

meals served at our emergency shelters



Read Building Futures' Annual Report.
bfwc.org/ar25



Building Futures provides tailored services to help Alameda County residents build safe and secure futures after homelessness and domestic violence.



WHAT WE DO

Homeless Services

The Midway Shelter, San Leandro Shelter, and Lewelling Shelter and Drop-In Center provide shelter and support services in welcoming environments.

Housing Resource Centers provide assessments and support for Alameda County residents in need of housing and other resources.

Our Rapid Re-housing Programs provide short-term rental assistance and tailored services for families to obtain housing quickly, increase self-sufficiency, and stay housed.

Street Outreach in San Leandro engages with and serves individuals and families who live in encampments, in vehicles, or are otherwise unsheltered.

Housing Services

The Housing Program provides housing case management, rental subsidies, and tenancy services designed to aid participants to secure a safe place to live, transition from homelessness, and to maintain their housing.

Bessie Coleman Court is our 52-unit permanent supportive housing site.

Wraparound support services are provided to more than 200 tenants throughout Alameda County.

Domestic Violence Services

Sister Me Home Safe House is a 20-bed confidential shelter with 24-hour staffing and culturally appropriate support services.

Community outreach services include safety planning, individual and group counseling, court accompaniment, and more.

Domestic Violence Program participants are eligible for the full range of our housing services.

Twice each year, Building Futures offers a 40-hour Domestic Violence Counselor Training.

Technical assistance supporting agencies across California:

- Housing programs that serve domestic violence survivors
- Domestic violence providers serving people experiencing homelessness.

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A LOVING LEGACY FOR THE CHILDREN

Chris Neumann Memorial Fund

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Last year, Building Futures received a very special gift, designated by the family of the late Chris Neumann. Neumann was a local business owner, volunteer, friend of Building Futures, and a longtime member of the San Leandro Kiwanis Club, which contributed and provided support.

This very generous gift to Building Futures made possible a much-needed major upgrade to the children's indoor space at the San Leandro Shelter! Established in 1988, the 30-bed shelter was Building Futures' very first site and continues to serve as an emergency shelter for women and children who are experiencing homelessness.

The children's area now features a stunning original mural. The mural features flowers and delicate butterflies representing freedom, new beginnings, and how we work with shelter residents with a lot of care. The space also boasts a beautiful homework center, sturdy book and toy shelves stocked with an abundance of learning supplies, as well as a new colorful rug, chairs, and a crafting table for toddlers!



Chris and his wife, Terri, delivering food to the shelter in 2019.





Thank you to the friends and family of Chris Neumann and the Kiwanis Club for their extraordinary generosity and partnership. Together, they made this joyful, nurturing space for the children at San Leandro Shelter a reality. We are deeply grateful.



Mural by stevejaviel.com



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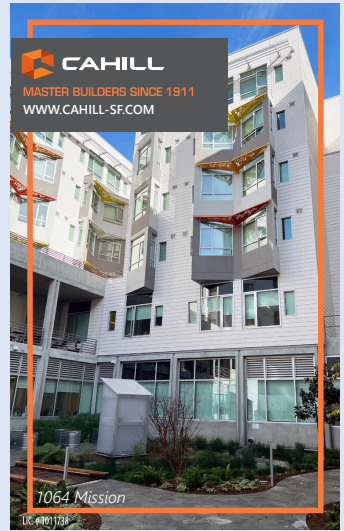
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1 Send a monetary gift!

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Contact us at development@bfcw.org.

2 Become a dinner donor!

Shop for and provide dinner for 25 women and children at either the San Leandro Shelter or Midway Shelter in Alameda. Food is love made visible.

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3 Organize a drive!

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Contact us at give@bfcw.org.

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