



DONOR IMPACT REPORT

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As I approach my second anniversary at the Foundation, it is a natural time to reflect on the past two years. We have experienced a global pandemic, reckoning with systemic racial injustice, and an international humanitarian crisis. All of these challenges can feel overwhelming, yet I am more committed than ever to our mission-driven work to support mental and behavioral health services, healthy families, and victims of trauma. This is what I see in our larger community as well, the ever-increasing momentum for systemic change in public health.

In this issue of our quarterly impact report, I am proud to showcase the ways we are living our values of supporting equity and innovation at our city's safety-net hospital, Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center (ZSFG). Through annual Equity & Innovation Grants, public events promoting healthy communities, and tireless efforts to fund essential health care needs at ZSFG, these past few months have shown how vital our work is to the health of our city.

This is a big year for the Hospital, reaching an impressive 150 years of providing health care to generations of San Franciscans from our current location on Potrero Avenue. This milestone, which we will celebrate on August 28th, symbolizes decades of health care workers advocating for accessible and compassionate public health. And we are so proud to carry on their legacy into the next 150.

Thank you again for your partnership and support this year.

With gratitude,

Kim Meredith

Kim Meredith, Chief Executive Officer

Spot a Stroke Hits the Streets



Each year, Equity & Innovation Grants allow staff at ZSFG to do more than treat patients in the clinic—they bring health care out into the community. For the ZSFG Stroke and Neurotrauma Program, this meant working with 25 volunteers to spread the word about symptoms of a stroke at the Bayview Sunday Streets in May. Pairing health care providers from ZSFG with EMTs and community partners, locals enjoying this neighborhood street fair had critical access to experts in this field to better understand the signs of neurotrauma and what to do in an emergency.



Celebrating Equity in Leadership

For both the Foundation and the Hospital, equity has remained central to our work this year. Recently, several key appointments showcase this commitment in action, here at the hospital as well as in the larger medical community.

With the retirement of Dr. Sue Carlisle this year, seemingly unfillable shoes have been filled by a true leader at ZSFG: **Elena Fuentes-Afflick, MD, MPH**. As the newest Vice Dean of the UCSF School of Medicine at ZSFG, Dr. Fuentes-Afflick brings her expertise and commitment to both faculty and patient care.

The Hospital has also welcomed a new Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, **Sopha Lai**. Her extensive experience in civil rights, health equity, and housing makes her an important addition to our city's safety-net hospital.

And on a national level, ZSFG's **Dr. Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo** has been appointed as the first person of color to lead the Journal of the American Medical Association as the editor-in-chief. Dr. Bibbins-Domingo has focused her career on erasing health disparities through her clinical work as well as through policy change and research at the UCSF Center for Vulnerable Populations at ZSFG.

The Healing Power of Getting Outside

If you weren't able to attend our April *Innovations in Public Health* webinar event, the recording is now available for your viewing pleasure on the Foundation's YouTube channel. [*The Healing Power of Getting Outside*](#) featured Chris Lehnertz, Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy CEO, and Dr. Amy Beck, Pediatrician at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center, in conversation with Kim Meredith, CEO at SFGH Foundation. The group discussed the numerous health benefits of using our bountiful regional outdoor spaces to exercise, connect with nature, and stay well.

This recording and many others can be found on the [*SFGH Foundation YouTube channel*](#).



Introducing Equity & Innovation Grants



Since 2004, the Foundation has awarded more than 500 special grants to departments across ZSFG.

These one-off grants were developed to meet the specific, unique, or time-sensitive needs of ZSFG providers. By responding directly to evolving needs, we can positively impact the hospital's ability to best serve its patients and ensure that health equity and patient care remain at the center of its work.

The [*Equity & Innovation Grants program*](#) (formerly known as Hearts Grants), has been renamed to reflect its new focus on innovative ideas, creative approaches to patient care, and programs that address inequities in health care delivery. The Foundation invests in ZSFG's efforts to test, innovate, and incubate new and transformative models with an emphasis on whole-person care, team-based approaches, and continuous quality improvements. We are proud to further ZSFG's efforts to create a more equitable future for both hospital staff and the patients they care for.

Make a Gift Before June 30



Our city's public hospital is reliant on donor contributions to advance community wellness, to pioneer new methods and models of treatment, and to educate the next generation of dedicated health care providers. We are driven to help the communities who bear the burden of systemic inequalities and are most impacted by illness and disease, and we are resolute that prevention and care reach all members of our community. As the SFGH Foundation fiscal year comes to a close on June 30, we invite you to support excellence in patient care and innovation at ZSFG. If you believe in equity, access, and quality health care for all, please help us finish the year on a strong financial footing by making a gift today at sfghf.org/donate.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebecca Schuett".

Rebecca Schuett, Chief Development Officer

Save the Date for Special Events



AUGUST 28, 2022 | 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF ZUCKERBERG SAN FRANCISCO GENERAL HOSPITAL AND TRAUMA CENTER

On Sunday, August 28, the Foundation will kick off celebrations honoring the 150th anniversary of Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center. From its humble beginnings as a small wooden structure to the expansive, state-of-the-art facility we know today, ZSFG has stood steadfast throughout—and been a major player in—many significant historical events in our city. We will share details on how to join in the celebration in the coming weeks.



FEBRUARY 9, 2023 | HEARTS IN SF

It's never too early to start looking forward to Hearts in SF, the Foundation's premier annual event. [*Hearts in SF*](#) will take place the evening of Thursday, February 9, 2023 and will feature both in-person and virtual components. More information will be shared soon.



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