



EXPANDED
LEARNING
OPPORTUNITIES

AFFORDABLE
HOUSING



Affordable housing exists to enable families to find pathways out of poverty.

The most reliable pathway out of poverty is **education**.

Children who live in affordable housing communities face **unique challenges to participation** in traditional school or community-based afterschool and summer programs.

Experts agree that high-quality afterschool and summer learning programs are **essential to closing the achievement gap** between kids from low-income families and their peers.

Traditionally, the overwhelming majority of staff running youth programs in housing developments have had **access to little or no training** in how to run effective programming, and have not been connected to other organizations and support resources.

We are using our platform to speak to funders, housing agencies, government leaders, lawmakers, educators and fellow advocates about the **incredible opportunities** that we can all help bring to children by creating and strengthening these programs.

This is why we're working to build and strengthen programs taking place **right at home**.

PCY implements training and support services that have been **specifically designed** for staff running these programs.

BY THE NUMBERS:



PCY RUNS **FIVE** YEARLY WORKSHOPS FOR THOSE WORKING WITH YOUTH IN HOUSING COMMUNITIES



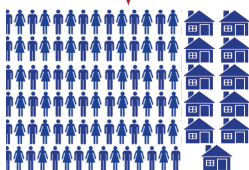
100% OF WORKSHOP ATTENDEES SAY THEIR SKILLS WERE IMPROVED AND **95%** SAID THEIR PROGRAMS WOULD IMPROVE.



PCY HAS SPENT MORE THAN **450** HOURS TRAINING AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMUNITY STAFF



STAFF MEMBERS TRAINED BY PCY CURRENTLY SERVE **2,500** KIDS IN THE BAY AREA, AND MEMBERS OF OUR NETWORK SERVE MORE THAN **10,000** CHILDREN AND YOUTH.



PCY HAS TRAINED **85** STAFF FROM **ELEVEN** HOUSING AGENCIES



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Based on research and input from affordable-housing development partners, PCY has launched a housing cohort.

Our yearly workshops have included:

- Youth Development 101
- Skill Building Across Ages
- Behavioral Management
- Increasing Youth Participation (Youth Engagement)
- Telling Your Story Through Evaluation

Members of our cohort can also receive:

- **Individual coaching**, up to 20 hours per site, to address site-specific issues and provide additional individualized support.
- **A formal assessment of program quality**, which includes a written feedback report identifying areas of strength and areas for improvement for each participating housing agency.
- **A training stipend** to attend regional and/or statewide professional conferences.
- **A participation stipend** for each housing site that participates in the full series of supports, to implement targeted program improvements. These funds could be used for costs associated with their strategies, including staff training, equipment or materials purchases, site visits and youth or parent stipends.

PCY's Housing Cohort members work at **35 sites** covering Alameda, San Francisco, San Mateo and Santa Clara counties:

- Community Housing Development Corporation
- East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation
- Eden Housing
- John Stewart Company
- Mid-Peninsula Housing
- Oakland Housing Authority
- Palo Alto Housing Corporation
- Project Access
- Resources for Community Development

"We're teaching our students what resilience means to them and how to incorporate the skills they have learned to achieve their dreams."

- Marisol G. Piazza
Family Service Coordinator & Youth Leader
Palo Alto Housing Corporation

"Usually trainings and conferences are geared towards in-school or privately-run programs which have more funding and more resources than we do. It was great to be in a room full of people who do what I do, face the same challenges, and learn how to overcome the obstacles we run into while working at a housing site."

- Tanya Fernandez
Resident Services Coordinator
Eden Housing Management, Inc.

"Our community center is evolving from a safe secure place to hang out; to a place where the expectation is to not only build a better community, but to be excited about learning."

- Letitia Henderson, MSW
Education Program Coordinator
Oakland Housing Authority

Partnership for Children & Youth (PCY) is a California-based non-profit that supports communities, schools and government agencies to work together as unified systems to ensure all children have the learning, health and social supports they need to succeed in school and life.



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