

City and County of San Francisco YOUTH COMMISSION

MINUTES

Monday, December 1, 2025 5:00 pm

IN-PERSON MEETING
City Hall, Room 416
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place,
San Francisco, CA 94102

Youth Commission membership includes:

Gabbie Listana (Chair, D6), Téa Lonné Amir (Vice Chair, MYR), Leah Mordehai (Legislative Affairs Officer, D1), Evelyn Conboy (Legislative Affairs Officer, D7), Ayan Azad (Communications and Outreach Officer, MYR), Dawnae Jacques (Communications and Outreach Officer, MYR), Camryn Marlow (D2), Aanya Shah (D3), Shoon Mon (D4), Harper Fortgang (D8), Maximiliano Trujillo (D9), Symona Elias (D10), Natalie Liu (D11), Jacqueline Moreno (MYR), Ava Oram (MYR), Emily Yang (MYR).

Present: Listana, Lonné Amir, Mordehai, Conboy, Azad, Jacques, Marlow, Shah, Mon, Fortgang, Elias, Liu, Moreno, Yang.

Absent: Trujillo (excused), Oram (excused).

Tardy: None.

The San Francisco Youth Commission met in-person with remote viewing on December 1, 2025, with Chair Listana presiding.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call for Attendance

Chair Listana called the meeting to order at 5:03pm.

On the call of the roll:

Roll Call Attendance: 14 present, 2 absent.

Leah Mordehai (D1) - present Camryn Marlow (D2) - present Aanya Shah (D3) - present Shoon Mon (D4) - present Evelyn Conboy (D7) - present Harper Fortgang (D8) - present Maximiliano Trujillo (D9) - absent Symona Elias (D10) - present Natalie Liu (D11) - present Dawnae Jacques (MYR) - present Téa Lonné Amir (MYR) - present Jacqueline Moreno (MYR) - present Ayan Azad (MYR) - present Ava Oram (MYR) - absent Emily Yang (MYR) - present Gabbie Listana (D6) - present

A quorum of the Commission was present.

Officer Jacques, seconded by Officer Mordehai, motioned to excuse Commissioner Trujillo and Commissioner Oram. No discussion. No public comment. The motion was carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 14 ayes, 2 absent.

Leah Mordehai (D1) - aye Camryn Marlow (D2) - aye Aanya Shah (D3) - aye Shoon Mon (D4) - aye Evelyn Conboy (D7) - aye Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye Maximiliano Trujillo (D9) - absent Symona Elias (D10) - aye Natalie Liu (D11) - aye Dawnae Jacques (MYR) - aye Téa Lonné Amir (MYR) - aye Jacqueline Moreno (MYR) - aye Ayan Azad (MYR) - aye Ava Oram (MYR) - absent Emily Yang (MYR) - aye Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye

Action: Commissioner Trujillo and Oram's absence excused.

2. Communications (Informational)

Joy Zhan, Youth Development Specialist of the SFYC, shared communications and meeting announcements with Commissioners.

3. Approval of Agenda (Action)

Commissioner Marlow, seconded by Commissioner Mon, motioned to approve the December 1, 2025 full Youth Commission meeting agenda. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 14 ayes, 2 absent.

Leah Mordehai (D1) - ave Camryn Marlow (D2) - aye Aanya Shah (D3) - aye Shoon Mon (D4) - aye Evelyn Conboy (D7) - aye Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye Maximiliano Trujillo (D9) - absent Symona Elias (D10) - aye Natalie Liu (D11) - aye Dawnae Jacques (MYR) - aye Téa Lonné Amir (MYR) - aye Jacqueline Moreno (MYR) - aye Ayan Azad (MYR) - aye Ava Oram (MYR) - absent Emily Yang (MYR) - aye Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye

Action: Agenda Approved.

4. Approval of Minutes (Action)

a. November 17, 2025 (Packet Materials)

Vice Chair Lonné Amir, seconded by Commissioner Elias, motioned to approve the November 17, 2025 full Youth Commission meeting minutes. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following voice vote:

Voice Vote: 14 ayes, 2 absent.

Leah Mordehai (D1) - aye

Camryn Marlow (D2) - aye
Aanya Shah (D3) - aye
Shoon Mon (D4) - aye
Evelyn Conboy (D7) - aye
Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye
Maximiliano Trujillo (D9) - absent
Symona Elias (D10) - aye
Natalie Liu (D11) - aye
Dawnae Jacques (MYR) - aye
Téa Lonné Amir (MYR) - aye
Jacqueline Moreno (MYR) - aye
Ayan Azad (MYR) - aye
Ava Oram (MYR) - absent
Emily Yang (MYR) - aye
Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye

Action: Minutes Approved.

5. General Public Comment

No public comment.

6. Presentation

a. Budget Process Presentation

i. Frances Hsieh, District 1 Legislative Aide

Frances Hsieh gave a Budget 101 presentation on the city's budget processes, and what they can expect as they approach budget advocacy in 2026.

Commissioner Jacques asked how the City will balance the budget when the City continues to have so much need, to which Hsieh said that is the main challenge they face, and they focus on how to ensure residents' needs and priorities are met while being fiscally responsible.

Officer Azad asked how public comment has impacted the budget process and what some successes have been, to which Hsieh said that it does have an impact by giving people the chance to tell elected officials how specific funding impacts their lives.

Commissioner Elias asked if there are criteria on what programs to cut and which priorities to accept when there's a deficit, to which Hsieh said she doesn't believe there is a specific list of criteria, but that the Mayor makes the decisions based on their assessment of the need through the regular budget process.

Commissioner Mon asked how the breakdown is decided and the set-asides, to which Hsieh said that certain departments have to spend their budgets based on what was allocated through the general fund and through mandated set-asides.

Commissioner Moreno asked about the rainy day fund and how it can be created, to which Hsieh said that the Mayor can allocate funding toward the reserves and the differences between certain types of city funding.

Commissioner Fortgang asked where in the process they think the Youth Commission can have the most effective impact in the budget, to which Hsieh said the hearing where the Youth Commission presents their budget priorities, but also working with city departments and participating in their hearings to push for greater resources towards youth needs. Hsieh also said doing community forums and educating youth on the city budget process is very helpful to inform the public on how processes work.

Officer Mordehai asked about how the budget process could affect the family zoning plan, to which Hsieh said she isn't sure if there is a direct affect on this budget cycle, but this could have effects later down the line if there are more residents living in the City and the increased need for city-funded services.

Commissioner Yang asked about budget add-backs and how long it takes for CBOs to receive that funding, to which Hsieh said it depends on the Mayor's Office to begin administrating those funds, which can take any amount of time since the Mayor has that jurisdiction.

Officer Conboy asked for more clarity about enterprise departments and how the funding for those is affected by structural deficits in other parts of the City budget, to which Hsieh explained more about enterprise departments and ways these agencies can generate more revenue.

Vice Chair Lonné Amir asked what advice she would give for first-time commissioners during the budget process, to which Hsieh said ask a lot of questions and have a strong relationship with their appointing authorities.

Commissioner Liu asked how much is typically spent on services that get lots of public attention, to which Hsieh it depends on the service.

7. Legislation Referred (Discussion and Possible Action)

- a. **BOS File No. 250700** Zoning Map Family Zoning Plan
- b. **BOS File No. 250701** Planning, Business and Tax Regulations Codes Family Zoning Plan
 - i. Presenter: Legislative Affairs Officers

Vice Chair Lonné Amir, seconded by Officer Jacques, motioned to positively recommend BOS File No. 250700 and BOS File No. 250701, with comments.

Discussion:

Commissioner Fortgang asked what the status of amendments are to the legislation, to which Specialist Zhan said that the only amendments that were accepted were ones already proposed by Supervisor Melgar and Mahmood, but she would look to see what today's updates were.

Commissioner Mon asked if their stance will be received by the Board of Supervisors in time for their vote tomorrow, to which Specialist Zhan said that YC Staff will send whatever is passed to the Supervisors' offices as soon as possible.

Commissioner Yang said she supports the legislation, and spoke about the need for housing and is glad to see the plan be amended to help support small businesses.

Commissioner Elias said she supports the legislation, and spoke about the need of the City to build housing.

Commissioner Shah said she supports the legislation, and spoke about the importance of expanded housing access for families, youth, and educators.

Officer Azad said he supports the legislation, and spoke about the urgency to have a plan to meet state requirements. He added that a lot of the plan needs to be refined to better support small businesses and actually generate affordable housing.

Officer Jacques said she supports the legislation, and spoke about the fact that restrictive zoning has prevented people from living in the City, including youth, families, and essential workers.

Vice Chair Lonné Amir said she supports the legislation, and spoke about the need for clarity on construction impacts and how the building of additional housing could disrupt current residents.

Officer Mordehai said she supports the intent of the legislation, and she said she can see that they're currently continuing to refine certain parts

of the plan to better meet the needs of people and businesses, since she's concerned about how the plan will affect the current residents.

Officer Conboy said she supports the legislation, and pointed out that she appreciates the requirement of family-sized housing and allows for increased development. She is still concerned about the effects on small businesses and rent control housing across the City.

Commissioner Fortgang said she supports the legislation, and welcomes more families to move to San Francisco with better access to public infrastructure like transit and parks. She has the same concerns about small businesses and ensuring that the housing that's built is actually affordable, as well as continuing to have strong tenant protections.

Commissioner Liu said she supports the legislation, especially since it focuses on housing construction in areas of the city that have strong transit access, but is concerned about displacement.

Commissioner Moreno said she supports the legislation, but she is also concerned about what small businesses are at risk.

Commissioner Mon said she supports the legislation, with comments to highlight her concern around small businesses. She appreciates that the plan also includes family-size requirements to ensure families are comfortable in those units.

Commissioner Marlow said she supports the legislation, but has the same concerns that Vice Chair Lonné Amir had around the effects of lots of construction all across the City.

Chair Listana said she supports the legislation because of the time constraints being put on the passage of the legislation so the City doesn't lose local control, but she wants to see further action to address concerns around affordability, small business support, and the impacts of major citywide development.

Commissioner Marlow asked if SF Planning could present in the future to discuss what comes of the passage of this legislation, if approved as it currently stands. Specialist Zhan said that the YC Staff can request for them to present.

Public comment:

- (1) Speaker 1, a member of the District 7 Youth Council, spoke in favor of the family zoning plan and increasing density around major public transit stops. He said he understands the plan has some flaws, but is overall in the right direction for residents, young people, and families.
- (2) Speaker 2, a member of the District 7 Youth Council, spoke in favor of the family zoning plan. He advocated for youth having greater housing options in the future so they can afford to live in San Francisco.
- (3) Speaker 3 (Eddie), a member of the District 7 Youth Council, spoke in favor of the family zoning plan and additional funding in support for small businesses' relocation during construction.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 14 ayes, 2 absent.

Leah Mordehai (D1) - aye Camryn Marlow (D2) - aye Aanya Shah (D3) - aye Shoon Mon (D4) - aye Evelyn Conboy (D7) - aye Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye Maximiliano Trujillo (D9) - absent Symona Elias (D10) - aye Natalie Liu (D11) - aye Dawnae Jacques (MYR) - aye Téa Lonné Amir (MYR) - aye Jacqueline Moreno (MYR) - aye Ayan Azad (MYR) - aye Ava Oram (MYR) - absent Emily Yang (MYR) - aye Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye

Action: Motion to positively recommend BOS File No. 250700 and BOS File No. 250701, with comments, passes.

Commissioner Marlow took a point of personal privilege at 6:13pm, and returned at 6:17pm.

- **8. Commission Business** (Discussion and Possible Action)
 - a. **RESOLUTION NO. 2526-AL-02** [Resolution recognizing Holodomor Memorial Day and February 24th as a Day of Solidarity with Ukraine] Resolution urging

the City and County of San Francisco to designate the fourth Saturday of November as Holodomor Memorial Day and to commemorate February 24th as a Day of Solidarity with Ukraine, in recognition of the historical, cultural, and civic significance of the Holodomor and the ongoing struggle for peace and freedom in Ukraine.

i. Sponsor: Mordehai; Listana, Lonné Amir, Trujillo, Mon

Officer Mordehai said that there weren't any changes made to the language.

Officer Jacques, seconded by Officer Mordehai, motioned to approve Resolution No. 2526-AL-O2. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 14 ayes, 2 absent.

Leah Mordehai (D1) - aye Camryn Marlow (D2) - aye Aanya Shah (D3) - aye Shoon Mon (D4) - aye Evelyn Conboy (D7) - aye Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye Maximiliano Trujillo (D9) - absent Symona Elias (D10) - aye Natalie Liu (D11) - aye Dawnae Jacques (MYR) - aye Téa Lonné Amir (MYR) - aye Jacqueline Moreno (MYR) - aye Ayan Azad (MYR) - aye Ava Oram (MYR) - absent Emily Yang (MYR) - aye Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye

Action: Resolution No. 2526-AL-02 passes.

- RESOLUTION NO. 2526-AL-03 [Upholding San Francisco's Commitment to its Newcomer Communities] - Resolution urging the Mayor and Board of Supervisors to protect and uphold San Francisco's commitment to its newcomer communities.
 - i. Sponsor: Trujillo; Mordehai, Listana, Lonné Amir, Mon

Chair Listana said that there weren't any changes made to the language.

Officer Jacques, seconded by Commissioner Mon, motioned to approve Resolution No. 2526-AL-O3. No discussion. No public comment. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote: 14 ayes, 2 absent.

Leah Mordehai (D1) - aye Camryn Marlow (D2) - aye Aanya Shah (D3) - aye Shoon Mon (D4) - aye Evelyn Conboy (D7) - aye Harper Fortgang (D8) - aye Maximiliano Trujillo (D9) - absent Symona Elias (D10) - aye Natalie Liu (D11) - ave Dawnae Jacques (MYR) - aye Téa Lonné Amir (MYR) - aye Jacqueline Moreno (MYR) - aye Ayan Azad (MYR) - aye Ava Oram (MYR) - absent Emily Yang (MYR) - aye Gabbie Listana (D6) - aye

Action: Resolution No. 2526-AL-03 passes.

9. Committee Reports (Informational)

- a. Executive Committee
 - i. Legislative Affairs Officers

No major updates, both officers are focusing on the Family Zoning Plan.

ii. Communication and Outreach Officers

No major updates, but Officer Jacques said she would be reaching out to people individually to reschedule interviews since the last meeting went long. Officer Azad said that he is continuing to post on social media, and to let him know if they want anything posted.

iii. General Committee Updates

Vice Chair Lonne Amir said there's no major updates, just that everyone so far is doing a good job on the attendance and to keep it up.

b. Transformative Justice Committee

Commissioner Mon said they didn't meet last week due to the holidays, but they were able to pass two resolutions in the previous meeting.

c. Housing, Recreation, and Transit Committee

Commissioner Fortgang said they didn't meet last week either due to the holidays, but they discussed the family zoning plan in committee and they're excited to discuss budget priorities.

d. Civic Engagement and Education Committee

Commissioner Marlow said they didn't meet last week due to the holidays, but she congratulated Commissioner Yang for being elected Committee Chair.

10. Roll Call, Introductions, and Announcements (Informational)

Roll call for introduction of resolutions, requests for hearings, letters of inquiry, reports on their Commission-related activities, and announcements.

a. Presenters: Commissioner Elias, Commissioner Marlow, Commissioner Azad, Commissioner Oram, Commissioner Listana, Commissioner Liu, Commissioner Yang.

Commissioners gave roll call, individual updates, and announcements.

b. Other Legislative Introductions and Announcements

Commissioner Mon gave some updates about the Sugary Drinks Distributor Tax Advisory Committee as the youth representative. She would love input from the Youth Commission since a lot of their SDDTAC goals are aligned with those of the YC.

Officer Mordehai said that there's another organization that is seeking to do greater youth voter registration and pre-registration.

11. Staff Report (Informational)

Director Esquivel Garcia said everyone needs to make sure they complete their trainings by their deadlines so they can be up-to-date, she confirmed that the YC Winter Mid-Year Retreat will be on January 18th and 19th on MLK weekend, and that Staff is working on their 5-year plan.

Specialist Zhan said she's still working on scheduling meetings with appointing offices, and asked commissioners not to pack their things when the meeting is still going since it is disrespectful.

Specialist Ochoa said YC Staff will be doing youth board trainings with the Freedom Forward / HYPE Center and SF Public Library Youth Advisory Board this week and next week to help uplift their youth into what we do, staff are also currently meeting with legislative aides to discuss Commission Streamlining Task Force recommendations as they're prepared to be sent to the Board of Supervisors early next year, and to be sure to email CBOs before the end of the month to start off the budget priorities process successfully.

12. Adjournment

There being no further business on the agenda, the full Youth Commission adjourned at 6:54pm.

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1	[Statement on the Shooting at Phillip and Sala Burton Academic School]
2	WHEREAS, On December 2nd, a shooting occurred at Philip Burton High Schoo
3	that left one student injured after being shot in the leg1; and
4	WHEREAS, This incident reflects a worrying trend in violence amongst youth,
5	particularly gun violence, in San Francisco; and
6	WHEREAS, In the past two years, there have been incidents of either the
7	presence of guns on campus or gun violence occurring amongst youth at James
8	Denman Middle School, George Washington High School, Galileo Academy of Science
9	& Technology, Ocean Beach, and most recently, Philip Burton High School ² ; and
10	WHEREAS, Of 100 student conflicts that occurred on and off San Francisco
11	school campuses between March 2022 and April 2023, 31 of them involved guns; and
12	WHEREAS, These incidents of violence have created a culture of fear amongst
13	youth in San Francisco; and
14	WHEREAS, Young people in San Francisco must have the right to feel safe and
15	protected from violence both on and off school campuses; therefore be it
16	MOVED, That the San Francisco Youth Commission condemns the recent acts
17	of violence at Philip Sala Burton High School and stands in support of the victims of the
18	shooting; and
19	MOVED, That the San Francisco Youth Commission reaffirms its unwavering
20	support for increased mental health services for youth, increased school safety
21	measures that prioritize student well-being and ensure schools remain welcoming

¹ George Kelly, "Teen Injured, One Detained After Shooting on Burton High School Campus," The San Francisco Standard, December 3, 2025, https://sfstandard.com/2025/12/02/report-teen-injured-one-detained-shooting-burton-high-school-campus/.
² VOSF Staff, "Student Safety at San Francisco Unified School District: Concerns Rise, Solutions Stall," The Voice of San Francisco, December 8, 2025, https://thevoicesf.org/student-safety-at-san-francisco-unified-school-district-concerns-rise-solutions-stall/.

1	places for learning, support for gun buy-back programs and distribution of safe gun
2	storage information, and reduced weapon access for youth; and
3	FURTHER MOVED, That the San Francisco Youth Commission calls on the
4	Mayor and Board of Supervisors to stand with students by advocating for measures that
5	reduce youth weapon access and violence during this budget cycle.
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1	[Statement on the Shooting at Phillip and Sala Burton Academic School]
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Statement of Recent Shooting at Phillip Burton High School

The Youth Commission is extremely saddened and disturbed by the recent shooting at Phillip Burton High School.

On December 2nd, 2025, at around 12:10 pm, a shooting occurred at Philip Burton High School that left one student injured¹. The victim, shot in the leg, was taken to the hospital and was declared to be in stable condition. The perpetrator, a juvenile male, fled the scene shortly after.

This is not the first school shooting to happen in San Francisco. Over the past few years, we have seen school shootings and shooting threats happen at multiple schools across the city, including but not limited to Galileo Academy of Science and Technology, George Washington High School. Of 100 student conflicts that occurred on and off San Francisco school campuses between March 2022 and April 2023, 31 of them involved guns².

Since the Youth Commission's founding, we have stood clearly and strongly for reduced weapons access to youth. We have advanced this mission through targeted advocacy efforts—including formal resolutions, community dialogues, and strategic budget recommendations—focusing on gun buyback programs, comprehensive mental health

¹ George Kelly, "Teen Injured, One Detained After Shooting on Burton High School Campus," The San Francisco Standard, December 3, 2025, https://sfstandard.com/2025/12/02/report-teen-injured-one-detained-shooting-burton-high-school-campus/.

² San Francisco Youth Commission, "Youth Commission Budget and Policy Priorities FY 2025 - 2026 | 2026 - 2027," *San Francisco Youth Commission*, March 2025, https://www.sfgov.org/youthcommission/sites/default/files/24-25%20Budget%20and%20Policy%20Priorities%20-%20B%26A%20Presentation.pdf.

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services for youth both within and outside school, and enhanced school safety initiatives³.

Gun violence has no place on the streets, in our schools, or in our homes. We hope that more can be done to prevent guns from falling into the wrong hands, and we urge for more gun control laws to prevent incidents like this from happening in the future. The Youth Commission stands ready to work with student and adult leaders to make this happen.

The Youth Commission is a body of 17 youth from across the City and County of San Francisco responsible for advising the Mayor and Board of Supervisors and policies impacting youth in San Francisco (San Francisco City Charter SEC. 4.124). The Youth Commission is a public body which encourages public input. Please contact the Youth Commission by emailing youthcom@sfgov.org, calling (415) 554-6446, and/or writing to us at Room 345, San Francisco City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, California 94102.

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³ San Francisco Youth Commission, "Youth Commission Budget and Policy Priorities FY 2025 - 2026 | 2026 - 2027."

1	[Statement on the passing of Claude the Alligator]
2	WHEREAS, On December 2nd, 2025 Claude the Albino Alligator passed away at
3	the California Academy of Sciences at the age of 30; and
4	WHEREAS, Claude was a core part of the Academy and welcomed visitors for
5	over fifteen years; and
6	WHEREAS, Claude helped educate youth on the environment, endangered
7	species, and the greater natural environment and their importance in our world; and
8	WHEREAS, The California Academy of Sciences is a renowned educational and
9	scientific institution, working to "regenerate the natural world through science, learning,
10	and collaboration"1; therefore be it
11	RESOLVED, the San Francisco Youth Commission mourns Claude the Albino
12	Alligator and supports the California Academy of Sciences' mission to protect
13	endangered animals and uplift the environment.
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¹ "Claude the Albino Alligator Passes Away of Cancer at Age 30 |," California Academy of Sciences, n.d., https://www.calacademy.org/press/releases/claude-the-albino-alligator-passes-away-of-cancer-at-age-30.

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Statement on Claude the Alligator's Passing

The Youth Commission is extremely saddened by the passing of Claude the Albino Alligator.

On December 2nd, 2025, Claude the Albino Alligator passed away at the California Academy of Sciences at the age of 30. Claude was an integral part of the Academy and greeted visitors for over fifteen years, and helped connect youth across San Francisco with nature, eventually becoming a symbolic mascot for the city¹.

The California Academy of Sciences, located in the heart of Golden Gate Park², has played an integral role in educating San Francisco's youth about the sciences and the natural world. Behind the scenes, the California Academy of Sciences has worked to regenerate ecosystems in California and beyond, supporting a healthier and thriving world.

The San Francisco Youth Commission has partnered with the California Academy of Sciences, presenting to their Careers in Science interns and leading legislative advocacy workshops, along with writing a resolution in support of the Youth Action for the Planet program³.

¹ Julie Zigoris, "Claude's Death Leaves an Alligator-sized Hole in S.F. Hearts," Mission Local, December 4, 2025, https://missionlocal.org/2025/12/claude-albino-alligator-obituary-cal-academy/.

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The San Francisco Youth Commission mourns the passing of Claude the Albino Alligator and stands in support of the California Academy of Sciences' mission to protect endangered animals and uplift the environment.

The Youth Commission is a body of 17 youth from across the City and County of San Francisco responsible for advising the Mayor and Board of Supervisors and policies impacting youth in San Francisco (San Francisco City Charter SEC. 4.124). The Youth Commission is a public body which encourages public input. Please contact the Youth Commission by emailing youthcom@sfgov.org, calling (415) 554-6446, and/or writing to us at Room 345, San Francisco City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, California 94102.

Mayor's Office for Victims' Rights

Strengthening City's Response to Victims/Survivors



Youth Commission General Meeting

December 15, 2025









MISSION & VISION

MISSION

- Advocate for and enforce victims' rights
- Strengthen a comprehensive network of victim services with a focus on gender based violence, sexual assault, elder abuse, and hate crimes
- Support for victims/survivors facing special barriers due to language, culture, immigration status
- Support victims/survivors regardless of whether law enforcement is involved or not

VISION

A city where all crime victims/survivors have their financial, physical, emotional, and psychological needs met, regardless of their engagement with law enforcement or the criminal legal system, through a well-resourced, victim-centered, seamless network that promotes justice and healing.

MOVR: CREATION AND LAUNCH

Voter - Created in June 2022 with Passage of Proposition D

- Independent department
- Designed to enforce and advance crime victims' rights and strengthen the victim support and violence prevention web citywide
- Make government work better on behalf of victims

Board of Supervisors Takes Action to Fund and Staff Office in 2024

- Names Mayor's Office for Victims' Rights (MOVR)
- Defines scope of work
- Transfers Office on Sexual Harassment, Assault, Response, and Prevention (SHARP) to MOVR from Human Rights Commission (HRC)

MOVR/ SHARPOMBUDS ROLE

VHAT WE DO &

WHY

MBUDS OFFICE FOR CRIME VICTIMS

CONVENOR

OLICY/ LEGISLATIVE VISORS FOR SYSTEM CHANGE

PROBLEM:

1 in 3 Californians has been a crime victim, less than 1 in 5 report receiving services needed to heal

Why?

- Mistrust of law enforcement, lack of knowledge regarding criminal legal system, fear of retraumatization, unaware of their constitutional rights (Marsy's Law).
- Barriers to accessing support due to language, culture, fragmentation of services across city and agencies.

WHAT WE DO:

- Direct advocacy and warm referrals for victims/survivors who haven't yet contacted, or don't wish to engage with, law enforcement but need social or legal services
- Receive complaints from victims alleging violation of right(s), and work with agencies, departments, and law enforcement to resolve
- Prevent victimization by working with CBOs/government partners on outreach, education, and interventions
- Identify patterns, practices that require systemic fix

EXAMPLES:

- Outreach and education, one-onone intakes in community settings; accompaniment to law enforcement interviews.
- Sexual assault survivors connected with free legal representation through Marsy's Law Project at SF Superior Court as criminal prosecution begins.
- Immigrants advised of law enforcement's adherence to Sanctuary City policies; support with contacting SFPD and reporting crimes, support accessing resources and services.
- Identify referral gap between SFPD and CBOs and establish referral structure.

MOVR/ SHARPCONVENOR ROLE

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PROBLEM:

Fragmented constellation of victim services, violence prevention interventions spread across different city departments and nongovernmental agencies. Insufficient coordination and communication across sectors. Result: victims not being supported as effectively as possible.

Why?

No city entity tasked with oversight, coordination, and bridge-building across diverse stakeholders to accomplish shared goals: to serve victims, prevent victimization, and prevent re-traumatization of victims as they move through the support system.

CURRENT CONVENINGS

- Family Violence Council (elder, child, and domestic abuse focus – law enforcement, city, and non-city groups)
- Gender-based violence grantees
- Community Violence Prevention worktables
- Hate Crime Roundtable
- SFPD x Sexual Assault and DV standing work group
- Anti-Human Trafficking Task Force*
- Housing Solutions Work Group

WHAT IS ACCOMPLISHED?

- Troubleshoot individual cases
- Coordination and partnership to identify systemic problems & emerging public safety concerns, and develop solutions across direct service providers, law enforcement, community partners
- Strengthen entire ecosystem in collaboration and not as adversaries for the benefit of victims/survivors

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MOVR/ SHARPPOLICY/ LEGISLATION ADVISORROLE

PROBLEM:

Fixable, repeat problems impacting multiple victims are unaddressed. Systemic flaws that result in victims/survivors not receiving the help needed to recover from the harms of experiencing crime victimization OR are retraumatized as they move through the victim services or criminal legal system. Overall lack of focus on Prevention.

Why?

An overwhelmed, underfunded system. Resources insufficient to meet need for services and support.

State and federal victim financial support is reimbursement-based, eligibility is strictly limited, property crimes excluded.

EXAMPLES OF SYSTEMIC PROBLEMS:

- Violence experienced by students on or near school grounds but lack of reporting of incidents to police
- No enforcement of procedural due process victims' rights during criminal legal process, little to no protection from victim-shaming or victim harassment
- Recurring targeting of seniors for financial abuse and fraud, lack of reporting and investigations
- Limited English speakers unable to access information, help and services

WHAT IS THE GOAL?

System Change

We can use the **power of government**to better **prevent victimization** in
the first place and benefit the lives
of **victims/survivors** without retraumatization.

MOVR SPECIAL FOCUS AREAS

Office of Sexual Harassment and Assault Response + Prevention (SHARP)

SHARP's mandate is to serve as an ombuds office for survivors of sexual harassment and sexual assault by receiving complaints from survivors concerning the City's response to allegations of sexual harassment and/ or assault; helping survivors navigate the City's systems to resolve complaints about the City's response to allegations; working with stakeholders to identify and develop solutions to improve the overall system of support for survivors and prevention strategies to address the issue.

Special Victims:

This project focuses on **a)** special victims/ survivors including individuals especially vulnerable to criminal activity such as seniors, minors, or individuals without legal immigration status, and **b)** crimes that require additional strategies to address, such as prejudice-fueled criminal activity ("hate crimes") that may or may not rise to the level of a prosecutable crime.

WHERE DOES MOVR FIT IN THE PUBLIC SAFETY ECOSYSTEM?

Before a crime happens:

- We convene and build bridges between stakeholders before crises arise
- We develop and implement prevention strategies
- We proactively engage with communities to provide education/ trainings and learn of emerging issues
- We alert law enforcement, nongovernmental and governmental organizations about emerging public safety concerns and work with them to problem-solve

After a crime happens:

- We provide information, warm connections to resources, direct advocacy
- We receive complaints about violations & identify systemic problems
- We develop legislative and policy solutions to solve for identified problems within the victim/survivor support systems
- We help victims/survivors problem-solve when they want support but have not contacted law enforcement yet, who DO NOT want to engage with law enforcement, or who have tried to get services but are struggling to get the help that they want or need



HOW CAN I GET HELP FROM MOVR/SHARP?

If you're a victim/survivor:

Contact us using the online form on our website, by phone, or by email.

If in immediate danger, CALL 911

If you're a service provider, city agency, or community member:

Contact us by phone or email.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I REACH OUT?

We aim to respond to victims/survivors within two business days. If you are in immediate danger, do not wait – please call 911.

We will schedule a time to speak with you 1-on-1 to help figure out what you need and how we can help you.

We will not share any information you provide to us with anyone without written permission from you first.

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