



## Bay Area Common Wealth A Shared Resource Guide

Together, we produce an incredible common wealth. This guide exists to increase the visibility of and access to existing cooperatively-owned resources and alternative networks available to our community. There is a vast quantity of creative and engaged human activity that goes unmeasured by the contemporary economy – the free clinics, community newspapers, history groups, hackerspaces, mom and pop shops, shelters, alternative libraries, and cooperatives – supporting them means supporting what remains of our public life, defended and celebrated together.

Let's find ways to transform our networks of affinity, circles of friendship and trust into a shared wealth of the commons. This guide poses a question about what regional autonomy could look like and is an invitation for us to build an infrastructure that serves the needs of the people of the Bay Area.

## Safety

Whenever possible do not call the police. We should not continue to participate in a system that reinforces racialized violence. One alternative is to get to know your neighbors and gather the names and contact information of people with a variety of skills. This way we can build community relationships that draw from shared resources and collective safety.

Aaron Rose's "What to do instead of calling the police. A Guide, A Syllabus, A Conversation, A Process":  
[www.aaronxrose.com/blog/alternatives-to-police](http://www.aaronxrose.com/blog/alternatives-to-police)

Alameda County Crisis Response Program  
1-800-491-9099

Alameda County Mobile Crisis Teams  
Request that they do not call or bring the police.  
[www.acbhcs.org](http://www.acbhcs.org)

Animal Help Now [www.ahnow.org](http://www.ahnow.org)

Homeless Outreach Team  
For houseless individuals in distress 415-355-7401

Oakland Power Projects Health Resources - Critical Resistance  
[www.criticalresistance.org/opphealthresources](http://www.criticalresistance.org/opphealthresources)

People's Community Medics [www.peoplescommunitymedics.org](http://www.peoplescommunitymedics.org)

San Francisco Mobile Crisis Team  
Psychiatric crisis intervention services 415-970-4000

San Francisco Night Ministry [www.sfnightministry.org](http://www.sfnightministry.org)

## Housing

Artaud Artist Cooperative  
[www.projectartaud.org/history](http://www.projectartaud.org/history)

Bay Area Cooperative Association  
[www.bayareaca.org/housing](http://www.bayareaca.org/housing)

Emeryville Artists' Coop  
[www.emeryvilleartistscoop.org/index.html](http://www.emeryvilleartistscoop.org/index.html)

Homeless Prenatal Project: housing support  
[www.homelessprenatal.org/services/housing](http://www.homelessprenatal.org/services/housing)

Human Hotel: alternative to Airbnb  
[www.humanhotel.com](http://www.humanhotel.com)

Mission Economic Development Agency  
[www.medasf.org/programs/housing-opportunities](http://www.medasf.org/programs/housing-opportunities)

Oakland Community Land Trust  
[www.oakclt.org](http://www.oakclt.org)

Oakland Warehouse Coalition  
[www.facebook.com/pg/OaktownWarehouseCoalition](https://www.facebook.com/pg/OaktownWarehouseCoalition)

Safer DIY Spaces  
[www.saferdiyspaces.org](http://www.saferdiyspaces.org)

San Francisco Community Land Trust  
[www.sfclt.org](http://www.sfclt.org)

San Francisco Tenants Union  
[www.sftu.org](http://www.sftu.org)

Tenant and Neighborhood Councils  
[www.baytanc.com](http://www.baytanc.com)

## Health

Bay Area Doula Project: doula support including abortion  
[www.bayareadoulaproject.org](http://www.bayareadoulaproject.org)

Berkeley Acupuncture Project: low-fee + sliding scale  
[www.berkeleyacupunctureproject.com](http://www.berkeleyacupunctureproject.com)

Berkeley Free Clinic [www.berkeleyfreeclinic.org](http://www.berkeleyfreeclinic.org)

Circle Community Acupuncture SF: low-fee + sliding scale  
[www.circleca.com](http://www.circleca.com)

HealthRight 360 [www.healthright360.org](http://www.healthright360.org)

Homeless Prenatal Project: prenatal and parenting support  
[www.homelessprenatal.org/services/parenting](http://www.homelessprenatal.org/services/parenting)

Lyon-Martin Health Services: healthcare for women and transgender people [www.lyon-martin.org](http://www.lyon-martin.org)

Oakland Acupuncture Project: low-fee + sliding scale  
[www.oaklandacupunctureproject.com](http://www.oaklandacupunctureproject.com)

People's Community Medics  
[www.peoplescommunitymedics.org](http://www.peoplescommunitymedics.org)

Planned Parenthood  
[www.plannedparenthood.org/planned-parenthood-northern-california](http://www.plannedparenthood.org/planned-parenthood-northern-california)

San Francisco Free Clinic  
[www.sfccc.org/san-francisco-free-clinic](http://www.sfccc.org/san-francisco-free-clinic)

St. James Infirmary: peer-based clinic for sex workers and their families [www.stjamesinfirmary.org](http://www.stjamesinfirmary.org)

Tom Waddell Urban Health Clinic: healthcare for SF's Tenderloin community  
[www.sfhealthnetwork.org/primary-care-3/tom-waddell-urban-health-clinic](http://www.sfhealthnetwork.org/primary-care-3/tom-waddell-urban-health-clinic)

Women's Community Clinic SF  
[www.womenscommunityclinic.org](http://www.womenscommunityclinic.org)

## Mental Health

Bay Area Community Counseling  
[www.sf-bacc.org](http://www.sf-bacc.org)

Golden Gate Integral Counseling Center  
[www.ciis.edu/counseling-and-acupuncture-clinics/golden-gate-integral-counseling-center](http://www.ciis.edu/counseling-and-acupuncture-clinics/golden-gate-integral-counseling-center)

Open Path Collective  
[www.openpathcollective.org](http://www.openpathcollective.org)

Women's Therapy Center (Berkeley)  
[www.womenstherapy.org](http://www.womenstherapy.org)

## Food and Drink

Arizmendi Bakery Cooperatives  
[www.arizmendi.coop](http://www.arizmendi.coop)

Berkeley Food Collective:  
affordable food for UC Berkeley & broader community  
[www.foodcollective.org](http://www.foodcollective.org)

The Cheese Board Collective  
[www.cheeseboardcollective.coop](http://www.cheeseboardcollective.coop)

Community Gardens: free food  
[www.freefarmstand.org/about](http://www.freefarmstand.org/about)

Curry Without Worry: free on Tuesdays  
[www.currywithoutworry.org](http://www.currywithoutworry.org)

East Bay Food Not Bombs: free  
[www.ebfnb.org/eat-with-us](http://www.ebfnb.org/eat-with-us)

SF Food Not Bombs: free  
[www.sffnb.org](http://www.sffnb.org)

Glide Memorial: free  
[www.glide.org](http://www.glide.org)

Guide to 120 Bay Area Farmers Markets  
[www.mcguire.com/blog/2017/05/bay-area-farmers-markets](http://www.mcguire.com/blog/2017/05/bay-area-farmers-markets)

Mandela Foods Cooperative  
[www.mandelafoods.com](http://www.mandelafoods.com)

Martin de Porres House of Hospitality  
[www.martindeporres.org](http://www.martindeporres.org)

Other Avenues  
[www.otheravenues.coop](http://www.otheravenues.coop)

Rainbow Grocery Cooperative  
[www.rainbow.coop](http://www.rainbow.coop)

The Stud: worker-owned bar/club  
[www.studsf.com/home](http://www.studsf.com/home)

Tamarack: cooperative cafe  
[www.tamarackoakland.com](http://www.tamarackoakland.com)

Thai Brunch at a Temple: low-cost, Sundays  
[www.yelp.com/biz/wat-mongkolratanaram-berkeley](http://www.yelp.com/biz/wat-mongkolratanaram-berkeley)



## **Libraries and Alternative Collections**

List of Bay Area Libraries  
<http://baylibraries.org/>

Prelinger Library  
[www.prelingerlibrary.org](http://www.prelingerlibrary.org)

FoundSF.org  
[www.foundsf.org](http://www.foundsf.org)

GLBT Historical Society & Archives  
[www.glbthistory.org](http://www.glbthistory.org)

Shaping San Francisco  
[www.shapingsf.org](http://www.shapingsf.org)

Mechanics Institute  
[www.milibrary.org](http://www.milibrary.org)

Curatorial Research Bureau  
[www.curatorialresearchbureau.org](http://www.curatorialresearchbureau.org)

## **Gardens**

Alemany Farm (SF)  
[www.alemanyfarm.org](http://www.alemanyfarm.org)

All in Common Garden (Mission)  
[www.freefarmstand.org](http://www.freefarmstand.org)

Berkeley Community Gardening Collaborative  
[www.ecologycenter.org](http://www.ecologycenter.org)

Oakland Community Gardening  
[www.oaklandca.gov/topics/community-gardening](http://www.oaklandca.gov/topics/community-gardening)

San Francisco Community Gardens Program  
[www.sfrecpark.org/park-improvements/urban-agriculture-program-citywide/community-gardens-program](http://www.sfrecpark.org/park-improvements/urban-agriculture-program-citywide/community-gardens-program)

Spiral Gardens Community Food Security Project (Berkeley)  
[www.spiralgardens.org](http://www.spiralgardens.org)

## **Childcare**

Bay Area Childcare Collective  
[www.bayareachildcarecollective.wordpress.com](http://www.bayareachildcarecollective.wordpress.com)

Thoughts on Babysitting Coop Structure  
[www.berkeleyparentsnetwork.org/recommend/groups/coop](http://www.berkeleyparentsnetwork.org/recommend/groups/coop)

## **Time Banks**

Bay Area Community Exchange  
[www.timebank.sfbace.org](http://www.timebank.sfbace.org)

## **Worker Cooperatives**

Network of Worker Cooperatives  
[www.nobawc.org/member-cooperatives/member-cooperatives-in-the-bay-area](http://www.nobawc.org/member-cooperatives/member-cooperatives-in-the-bay-area)

## Artist Spaces and Resources

2727 California Street: residency and art space  
[www./2727.today/residency](http://www./2727.today/residency)

34 Trinity Arts and News: collectively-owned art space & used bookstore [www.34trinity.com](http://www.34trinity.com)

Adobe Books and Art Collective [www.adobebooks.com](http://www.adobebooks.com)

Bay Area Art Grind  
[www.bayareaartgrind.com/category/residency-programs](http://www.bayareaartgrind.com/category/residency-programs)

Bay Area Performing Arts Spaces: finding and reserving affordable spaces [www.bayareaspaces.org](http://www.bayareaspaces.org)

Bay Improviser: Bay Area new music community resources  
[www.bayimproviser.com](http://www.bayimproviser.com)

CCA art residency links  
[www.cca.edu/students/careers/student-resources/residencies](http://www.cca.edu/students/careers/student-resources/residencies)

Ctrl+Shft Collective [www.ctrlshftcollective.com](http://www.ctrlshftcollective.com)

Community Printers [www.comprinters.com](http://www.comprinters.com)

Dancers' Group [www.dancersgroup.org/resources](http://www.dancersgroup.org/resources)

East Bay Depot for Creative Reuse [www.creativereuse.org](http://www.creativereuse.org)

Graphic Arts Workshop [www.graphicartsworkshop.org](http://www.graphicartsworkshop.org)

The Growlery: residency program [www.thegrowlery.org](http://www.thegrowlery.org)

Headlands Center for the Arts: residency program  
[www.headlands.org/program/air](http://www.headlands.org/program/air)

Intersection for the Arts: fiscal sponsor  
[www.theintersection.org](http://www.theintersection.org)

Kala Art Institute: residency program  
[www.kala.org/studio/artist-in-residence-program-air](http://www.kala.org/studio/artist-in-residence-program-air)

Mercury 20 Gallery artist-run gallery  
[www.mercurytwenty.com](http://www.mercurytwenty.com)

Oakland Stock  
[www.oaklandstock.tumblr.com](http://www.oaklandstock.tumblr.com)

Real Time and Space  
[www.realtimeandspace.org](http://www.realtimeandspace.org)

Risograph Printing at BAMPFA [www.bampfa.org/about/art-lab](http://www.bampfa.org/about/art-lab)

Rock Paper Scissors Collective [www.rpscollective.org](http://www.rpscollective.org)

Root Division: apply for studio space at below market rates  
[www.rootdivision.org](http://www.rootdivision.org)

SCRAP (Scrounger's Center for Reusable Art Parts)  
[www.scrap-sf.org](http://www.scrap-sf.org)

SF Artists Network  
[www.sfartistnetwork.org/calls-for-artists.html](http://www.sfartistnetwork.org/calls-for-artists.html)

SF Center for the Book  
[www.sfcb.org/workshops](http://www.sfcb.org/workshops)

SF Print Collective [www.sfprintcollective.com](http://www.sfprintcollective.com)

SOEX Alternative Exposure Grant  
[www.soex.org/alternative-exposure](http://www.soex.org/alternative-exposure)

Urban Ore Salvage yard [www.urbanore.com](http://www.urbanore.com)

## Advocacy

Bay Area Anti-Repression Committee  
[www.antirepressionbayarea.com](http://www.antirepressionbayarea.com)

California Lawyers for the Arts  
[www.calawyersforthearts.org](http://www.calawyersforthearts.org)

Centro Legal de la Raza  
[www.centrolegal.org](http://www.centrolegal.org)

Disability Rights, Education, and Defense Fund  
[www.dredf.org](http://www.dredf.org)

Immigration Nonprofits  
[www.ebclc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/EBCLC\\_Immigration-Referrals\\_04.2015.pdf](http://www.ebclc.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/EBCLC_Immigration-Referrals_04.2015.pdf)

Just Cause / Causa Justa: Tenants Rights Advocacy  
[www.cjjc.org](http://www.cjjc.org)

National Lawyers Guild [www.nlgsf.org](http://www.nlgsf.org)

Start Art Legal [www.startartlegal.com](http://www.startartlegal.com)

Sustainable Economies Law Center [www.theselc.org](http://www.theselc.org)

Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts [www.vlany.org](http://www.vlany.org)

W.A.G.E Working Artists and the Greater Economy  
[www.wageforwork.com](http://www.wageforwork.com)

Translation Services

Volunteer Health Interpreters Organization  
[www.calvhio.org/request](http://www.calvhio.org/request)

## Transportation

The Bike Hut: bike rentals [www.thebikehut.org](http://www.thebikehut.org)

Bike Kitchen: bike build/repair-teaching coop  
[www.bikekitchen.org](http://www.bikekitchen.org)

Box Dog Bikes: worker-owned bike shop  
[www.boxdogbikes.com](http://www.boxdogbikes.com)

Casual Carpool: East Bay <-> SF community carpools  
[www.sfcasualcarpool.com](http://www.sfcasualcarpool.com)

Changing Gears Bike Shop  
[www.changinggearsbikes.org](http://www.changinggearsbikes.org)

Cycles of Change: Oakland bike non-profit  
[www.cyclesofchange.org/the\\_bikery](http://www.cyclesofchange.org/the_bikery)

Homobiles: non-profit providing rides to SF Bay Area LGBTIQQ  
community and allies [www.homobiles.org](http://www.homobiles.org)

The Laurel Cyclery [www.laurelcyclery.com](http://www.laurelcyclery.com)

Pedal Revolution SF Bike Non-profit [www.pedalrevolution.org](http://www.pedalrevolution.org)

San Francisco Bike Messenger Association  
[www.sfbma.org](http://www.sfbma.org)

SF Bike Rescue [www.sfbikerescue.com](http://www.sfbikerescue.com)

WalkSF: safe walking routes  
[www.walksf.org/our-work/safe-routes-for-all](http://www.walksf.org/our-work/safe-routes-for-all)

## **Community Spaces**

Eric Quezada Center for Culture and Politics  
[www.518valencia.org](http://www.518valencia.org)

La Raza Community Resource Center  
[www.larazacrc.org](http://www.larazacrc.org)

Omni Commons [www.omnicommons.org](http://www.omnicommons.org)

A Safe Place [www.asafeplace.org](http://www.asafeplace.org)

Safe Space [www.thesafespaceproject.org](http://www.thesafespaceproject.org)

SF LGBT Center [www.sfcenter.org](http://www.sfcenter.org)

SOMArts Cultural Center [www.somarts.org](http://www.somarts.org)

Queer Cultural Center [www.qcc2.org](http://www.qcc2.org)

## **Youth Programs**

Arts Education Alliance  
[www.artsedalliance.org](http://www.artsedalliance.org)

Art and Film for Teenagers  
[www.artandfilm.org](http://www.artandfilm.org)

Art Seed: intergenerational and multi-disciplinary art education  
[www.artseed.org](http://www.artseed.org)

Homeless Youth Alliance  
[www.homelessyouthalliance.org](http://www.homelessyouthalliance.org)

Next Gen + Bridges at BAVC: media-making for youth  
[www.bavc.org/youth-programs](http://www.bavc.org/youth-programs)

Problem Children: art residency for teens  
[www.problemchildren.org](http://www.problemchildren.org)

Radical Monarchs: resources for young girls of color  
[www.radicalmonarchs.org](http://www.radicalmonarchs.org)

Youth Spirit Artworks: youth art job training  
[www.youthspiritartworks.org](http://www.youthspiritartworks.org)

Youth UpRising: youth leadership development  
[www.youthuprising.org](http://www.youthuprising.org)

## **Prisoner Support**

Arts in Corrections [www.artsincorrections.org](http://www.artsincorrections.org)

East Bay Prisoner Support  
[www.eastbayprisonersupport.wordpress.com](http://www.eastbayprisonersupport.wordpress.com)

Ghost Town Prisoner Support  
[www.ghosttownprisonersupport.blackblogs.org](http://www.ghosttownprisonersupport.blackblogs.org)

Incarcerated Workers Organizing Committee  
[www.iwoakland.wordpress.com](http://www.iwoakland.wordpress.com)

Insight Prison Project [www.insightprisonproject.org](http://www.insightprisonproject.org)

Prison Arts Coalition [www.theprisonartscoalition.com](http://www.theprisonartscoalition.com)

Project Avary [www.projectavary.org/family-support](http://www.projectavary.org/family-support)

Prison Literature Project [www.prisonlit.org](http://www.prisonlit.org)

Prison University Project [www.prisonuniversityproject.org](http://www.prisonuniversityproject.org)

Women's Prison Book Project [www.wpbp.org](http://www.wpbp.org)



## Alternative Media

48 Hills [www.48hills.org](http://www.48hills.org)

BFF.FM [www.bff.fm](http://www.bff.fm)

El Tecolote [www.eltecolote.org](http://www.eltecolote.org)

Fault Radio [www.faultradio.com](http://www.faultradio.com)

Lower Grand Radio [www.lowergrandradio.com](http://www.lowergrandradio.com)

Mission Local [www.missionlocal.org](http://www.missionlocal.org)

Neighborhood Newspapers of San Francisco Historic Archive  
[www.archive.org/details/sanfranciscone newspapers](http://www.archive.org/details/sanfranciscone newspapers)

San Francisco Public Press [www.sfpublishing.org](http://www.sfpublishing.org)

## Technology

Electric Embers: worker-owned web hosting  
[www.electricembers.net](http://www.electricembers.net)

Noisebridge Hackerspace  
[www.noisebridge.net](http://www.noisebridge.net)

TechCollective: worker-owned tech support  
[www.techcollective.com](http://www.techcollective.com)

Tech Workers Coalition  
[www.techworkerscoalition.org](http://www.techworkerscoalition.org)

## Other

Design Action Collective  
design for progressive, non-profit, & social change orgs  
[www.designaction.org](http://www.designaction.org)

La Colectiva: worker-run cleaning collective  
[www.lacolectivasf.org](http://www.lacolectivasf.org)

Lava Mae: free mobile hygiene  
[www.lavamae.org/san-francisco](http://www.lavamae.org/san-francisco)  
[www.lavamae.org/oakland](http://www.lavamae.org/oakland)

Tool Lending Libraries  
[www.localtools.org/find/](http://www.localtools.org/find/)





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