

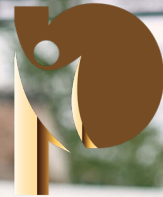


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Building Communities, Better

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We are San Francisco!**

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OUR MISSION

Our mission is to improve the quality of life in low-income communities and empower individuals to become self-reliant. We achieve this by providing comprehensive community-based programs, services, education, and training.

OUR VISION

We envision a future where lasting change is created, and every member of our community has the opportunity to thrive. Through compassion, innovation, and safe practices, we work toward improving health and quality of life for all.

HISTORIC AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN THE PROVIDENCE FOUNDATION AND CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO PAVES WAY FOR STRONGER COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR THE HOMELESS

Leading Homelessness Advocate and Non-Profit Organization Successfully Reaches Mutually Beneficial Agreement with the City of San Francisco Amid Fraud Allegations

SAN FRANCISCO, CA. – AUGUST 26, 2025: Today, the Providence Foundation announces that it has signed a settlement with the City of San Francisco and its Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing to resolve the 2024 allegations of fraud. In the settlement, Providence Foundation has agreed to pay civil penalties addressing employee wages, maintenance work reimbursement, and other fees, which total \$1,000,000.00. The Providence Foundation has also spent over \$300,000.00 in the past year in an effort to create transparency in its operations, while setting the stage for future growth. The organization took this action to ensure it could continue its mission of providing “protective care” to the vulnerable people it serves in the Bayview Hunters Point Community and throughout San Francisco.



“We recognize and acknowledge that our operational limitations led to compliance challenges with the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing, which resulted in a Suspension Order by the City,” states Alpha Buie, President of the Providence Foundation Board. “Through thoughtful assessment and strategic action, we have taken decisive steps to strengthen our internal processes, enhance oversight, provide ethical leadership, and build the capacity necessary to make our organization stronger as well as ensure full compliance with the City moving forward.”

“HSH commends Providence Foundation for their immediate and comprehensive response in addressing compliance issues and allegations of fraud that were raised in 2024,” said Shireen McSpadden, Executive Director, Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing. “The culturally congruent services provided by Providence are invaluable to the community and we are grateful that this structured second chance enables the organization to continue to serve people struggling to stabilize and exit homelessness.”

In the United States, homelessness continues to be an issue that American cities struggle to solve and cannot keep up with demand. According to the National Alliance to End Homelessness, it is estimated that 653,104 people experienced homelessness across the United States in 2023, with people of color being disproportionately impacted. Of this total number, 23.3% experienced being homeless for the first time, a trend that continues to rise due to such factors as rising rent prices, low incomes, and a shortage of affordable housing. In San Francisco, 8,035 individuals experienced homelessness on a single night in 2024, according to the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing. Moreover, the African American homeless population in San Francisco totals 1,980.

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that had operated as the charitable wing of the Providence Baptist Church, the Providence Foundation provides vital community support services for children, families, and senior citizens. The organization operates supportive housing and provides case management services in San Francisco through the Oasis Family Shelters, Armstrong Senior Housing, and Bayview Hills Garden Housing.

“Our commitment remains unwavering to support and uplift those experiencing homelessness in San Francisco through compassionate and culturally responsive care,” states Dr. Leroy Adams, Board Vice-President and Pastor of the Providence Baptist Church. “We are expanding our work to address some of the city’s most pressing challenges—housing stability, workforce development, and equitable access to resources—by deepening partnerships with the City of San Francisco, community-based organizations, local businesses, and dedicated individuals.”

“At St. Anthony’s, we are proud to partner with Providence Foundation, a fellow faith-based organization deeply committed to uplifting the most vulnerable in our city,” states Dr. Larry Kwan, CEO of St. Anthony’s. “We commend Providence for their renewed focus and accountability in tackling some of San Francisco’s most urgent challenges. Their compassionate and strategic efforts are helping children and families stabilize, exit homelessness, and move toward self-sufficiency. Together, we are working to restore hope and create pathways to a better future for those who need it most.”

An example of its expansive work includes the Foundation’s “Building Communities, Better” initiative. This program works to drive systemic change and empower the most vulnerable residents towards self-sufficiency. It focuses on equipping youth, who have spent their entire lives in shelters, with education, workforce readiness, mentorship, and leadership development. The initiative also supports unhoused seniors in rebuilding community and reclaiming a sense of identity as well as works alongside families to help them thrive despite housing instability.

“With this matter behind us and a renewed focus, accountability, and collective action, the Providence Foundation is committed to not just addressing homelessness but breaking cycles of instability, fostering resilience, and shaping an equitable San Francisco for generations to come,” states Dexter Hall, Interim Executive Director of Providence Foundation.

For more information on the Providence Foundation, visit <https://providencesf.org/>.



ABOUT THE PROVIDENCE FOUNDATION

Founded in 1997, the Providence Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that had operated as the charitable wing of the Providence Baptist Church. The mission of the Providence Foundation is to provide vital community support services and “protective care” for children, families, senior citizens, and its unhoused neighbors in the Bayview Hunters Point District of San Francisco, as well as supporting similar initiatives throughout other neighborhoods in the city. The organization works tirelessly to eradicate homelessness and operates supportive housing and provides case management services in San Francisco through its Oasis Family Shelters, Armstrong Senior Housing, and Bayview Hills Garden Housing. For more information on the Providence Foundation, visit <https://providencesf.org/>.

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ALPHA BUIE **President, Providence** **Foundation Board of** **Directors**

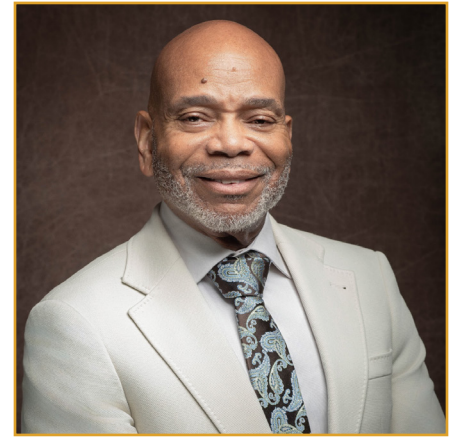
Alpha Buie is the CEO and founder of Buie Porter Munson & Siller LLC (BPM&SE), a certified minority- and woman-owned firm based in San Francisco's Bayview Hunters Point. With over a decade of experience, she leads BPM&SE in supporting small and minority-owned businesses through certification, contract development, and strategic partnerships with public agencies like SFPUC and BART. A former probation officer and community advocate, Buie is a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., and serves on the board of the Providence Foundation of San Francisco.



DR. LEROY ADAMS **Vice President,** **Providence Foundation** **Board of Directors and** **Pastor of Providence** **Baptist Church**

Rev. Dr. Leroy E. Adams, Jr. is the Senior Pastor of Providence Baptist Church in San Francisco with over 38 years in ministry. A U.S. Army veteran and native of Buffalo, NY, he has pastored churches across the U.S. and Europe, and is known for his passionate preaching and lifelong commitment to community empowerment.

He holds a Doctorate in Theology, is a Harvard Leadership Institute graduate, and has led national and local initiatives including youth programs, leadership conferences, and disaster relief efforts. Honored with multiple awards—including the MLK “Living the Dream” Award—he was recognized with an official Rev. Dr. Leroy E. Adams Jr. Day in Nebraska. Affectionately called “Hurricane Adams,” he is a dynamic force for love, faith, and social change.



DEXTER HALL **Interim Executive** **Director, Providence** **Foundation**

Dexter R. Hall is a nationally recognized expert in economic development, corporate responsibility, inclusive innovation, and a trusted voice and leader. With over 30 years of experience, he leads Noir Kith Consultants in guiding companies, nonprofits, and public institutions toward sustainable growth and transformative leadership.

His work in financial literacy, crisis recovery, and corporate philanthropy has empowered thousands and expanded access to economic opportunity in underserved communities. An MBA graduate and respected board leader, Dexter continues to shape policies and partnerships that drive equitable change and long-term impact. He is a proud member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Providence Foundation Insights

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What is the Providence Foundation of San Francisco and how did it start?

The Providence Foundation of San Francisco was founded as the philanthropic branch of the Providence Baptist Church in 1997. Over nearly 30 years of active existence, it has turned itself into the mention of the support base of the Bayview Hunters Point community. While different organizations provide similar services, Providence has for a long time gone the extra mile—strengthening the family units, restoring the right of respect, and facilitating the paths to more descendants of twelve opportunities. As the number of those it has helped has surpassed a quarter of a million, it continues to offer reliable help to people with no roof over their heads, older adults, and families that are usually overrun by the diverse range of resources throughout the city.

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What is the purpose of the work of Providence?

Providence's mission is more than just offering shelter; it's about building futures. The foundation claims that the true empowerment of persons and communities does not come from addressing one pole but both—the one and the many. They, therefore, view their work as a spectrum that includes emergency relief, education, economic support, and housing. Whether it is through helping a person get off the streets or preparing a child to lead others with assurance, every initiative is devised to elevate and transform.

3

In what way has Providence specifically contributed to the Bayview Hunters Point community?

The outcomes have been both profound and far-reaching. Providence has provided emergency shelter for over a quarter million people, assisted families in relocating to permanent accommodation, tackled affordable housing issues, and offered wellness programs to disadvantaged seniors, and made a mark on the local economy by funding small businesses. For the local kids, the foundation has created quality safe space by running tutoring, summer camps, mentorship, and leadership training programs—ultimately breaking the cycles of poverty for each child that they have had the chance to reach.



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What kind of programs does the foundation offer for children and teens?

Education is a cornerstone of Providence's work. The foundation offers academic tutoring for children ages 5 to 18, along with life skills and leadership programs that prepare students for future success. Their youth summer camps are especially popular, blending cultural enrichment with personal development. The goal is simple: to help every young person believe in their potential and have the tools to achieve it.

Insights cont.

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What measures is Providence taking to tackle homelessness in a sustainable way?

Providence recognizes that homelessness is more than a housing issue—it's a complex crisis involving economic instability, trauma, and systemic inequity. Their response is equally comprehensive. In addition to shelters like the Oasis Hotel, Providence operates navigation centers that connect clients with long-term housing, job training, and mental health services. They also provide housing vouchers and subsidies that help individuals rebuild stable lives with dignity.



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What additional services does the organization offer to meet community needs?

Providence does not stop at the provision of temporary housing and youth programs, as it also operates a lot of other indispensable services as well. They deliver food assistance, back struggling family businesses, and they have a program to offer affordable housing for the elderly. Some of the services also include managed care with case management, substance use assistance, and employment aid—therefore ensuring that everyone is taken care of.

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How does the foundation ensure transparency and responsible governance?

Ensuring accountability is one of the main tenets at Providence. The foundation has a board of directors that is independent and they are subjected to regular audits in order to be compliant with city and state regulations. They also make public reporting about their expenditures and outcomes available to the general public; they keep a close relationship with the Bayview Hunters Point community as well to see to it that their programs are responsive and Providence has facilitated over 250,000 total community touchpoints, reflecting both new and returning individuals, across our programs and services.

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How can an individual participate in the undertakings of the Providence Foundation?

Gearing up to do things is invariably an option. One could help out through volunteering, donating, providing strategic assistance, or even taking part in the organizing out of the outer exhibition. Each contribution, no matter how small, is of importance. Providence is of the view that the collaboration of communities is the only means through which real transformation can be realized, so it is the voice of the community that pulls together people to take part in this transformation of society. By the way, they are not only serving the community—they are also helping to shape its future.

Homeless Individuals Served By Our Programs

Uplifting & Empowering Those In Need!

Here are highlights of Providence Foundation's impact in serving San Francisco and the Bayview-Hunters Point community.

Service Impact Overview

- **Homeless Individuals Served:**

- Average of **3,654 touchpoints per month by our programs** (*Annualized: 43,848 per year*)
- Culturally relevant services provided at the following shelter sites-
 - Central Storage
 - Friendship House
 - Bethel Women's Shelter
 - Central Waterfront Navigation Center
 - Oasis Family Shelter
 - Providence Baptist Church

Average of **3,654 touchpoints per month** to those we serve by our programs

Supported **105 youth and young adults** at Bayview Hills Garden

- **Case Management & Care Services:**

- Average of **462 individuals per month** (*Annualized: 5,544 per year*)

- **Senior & Youth Support:**

- Assisted **262 seniors per month** at Armstrong and Geraldine (*Annualized: 3,144 per year*)
- Supported **105 youth and young adults** at Bayview Hills

Garden (*Annualized: 1,260 per year*)

- **Tutorial & Summer Learning Programs:**

- Positively impacted **60 Black and Brown youth per month** (*Annualized: 720 per year*)

- **Daily Breakfast Service:**

- Provides meals to **1,823 community members daily**
- *Monthly impact: 54,690 meals served*
- *Annualized impact: 656,280 meals served*

Positively impacted **60 Black and Brown youth** per month



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