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A bold approach

On behalf of Hamilton Families staff, leadership, and the families we serve, we thank you for your incredible support and partnership in our mission to end family homelessness in the San Francisco Bay Area.

This report contains data and information regarding Hamilton Families' programs in Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Quarter 3 (January - March 2021).

Making an incredible impact

We are grateful to be the social safety net that can provide critical resources for hundreds of the most vulnerable families in our community during this challenging time. Since the beginning of the pandemic, we significantly altered our programming to ensure the safety and housing security of all families throughout our programs.

From January to March 2021. Hamilton Families | Shelter and Hamilton Families | Transitional Housing continued to operate Learning Hubs in coordination with the San Francisco Department of Children, Youth, and Their Families (DCYF). Our hubs accommodated 5-10 students daily and our Children Services Associates continued to support students in their virtual learning throughout the school day and provided enrichment programming in the afternoons including art, music, dance, and play-time activities. This gave parents the ability to continue their strengths-based case management throughout the day as they continued making progress towards their housing stability and employment goals.

Families also had the option to enroll their students in external Learning Hubs that best fit their needs. The Children and Youth Services team is now planning and gearing up for their Summer Programming. More information to come as we await guidelines from the City and County of San Francisco.

Hamilton Families | Shelter worked in close collaboration with the San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH). Since January, SFDPH has been providing on-site COVID-19 testing for both families and staff working at the Shelter three times weekly. In April 2021, SFDPH will be providing on-site COVID-19 vaccinations for family participants who choose to be vaccinated.

With the continued shift in the San Francisco rental market, Hamilton Families | Real Estate was able to secure more rental units at affordable rates (\$1,200-\$1,700 monthly) in the City than we have previously been able to in years past. This gave us an opportunity to keep more families housed within the communities in which they originate.

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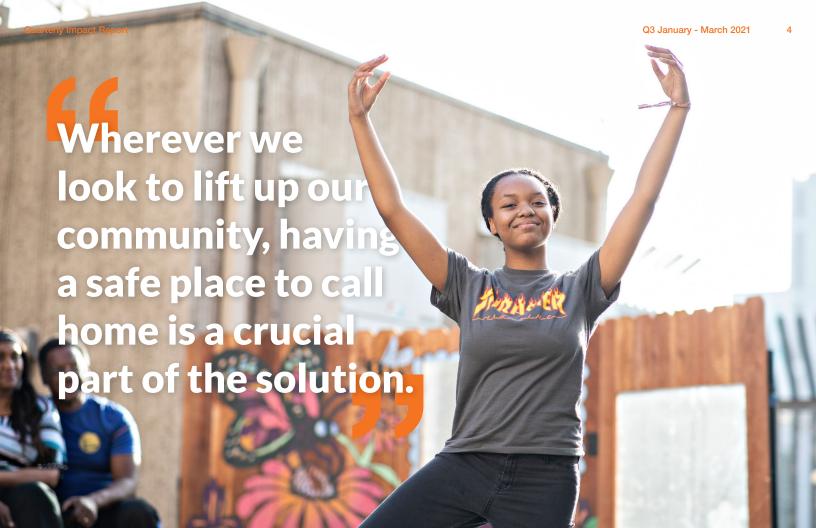
Sustaining the impact

In Quarter 3, our Rapid Re-Housing program successfully housed 30 families in San Francisco. Additionally, the Hamilton Families Real Estate department partnered with a large multi-family unit investment firm which unlocked over one hundred units throughout the City for families in our programs. We will continue developing partnerships with new landlords to ensure families have access to the best housing options available at this time while rental rates remain low. In total, Hamilton Families | Real Estate secured 144 new landlord partnerships and 657 total units throughout the Bay Area.

In Quarter 3. Hamilton Families I Housing Services continued their critical work of supporting families with eviction prevention and quickly returning families to safe and stable housing. The Housing Services department noticed an increase in the number of families requesting eviction prevention support. In Quarter 3, we prevented evictions for 14 families, and we only anticipate the demand for eviction prevention to increase in the coming months and years especially as the eviction moratoriums are set to expire later in 2021. We will continue our efforts of securing additional funding to ensure we can meet this critical need for the families in our community who become housing insecure due to the economic impact of COVID-19.

In January, we expanded our Strategic Partnerships department and welcomed Hamilton Families' first full-time, bilingual, Spanishspeaking Workforce Development Coordinator, Workforce development has become a major pillar of our work to strengthen financial health for long-term family stability outcomes. This position will work across programs to deliver evidence-based curriculum. to support program participants. and will maintain a portfolio of workforce development partner agencies across the Greater San Francisco Bay Area. The Workforce **Development Coordinator position** aligns with recommendations from our research partners at the Urban Institute to support long-term family stability in Rapid Re-Housing.

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Impact in numbers

We're building one of the largest pipelines from homelessness to housing for families in the San Francisco Bay Area.

Homelessness prevention, providing shelter and stability, returning families to permanent housing, and supporting the well-being of children experiencing homelessness... all these solutions were top of mind for Hamilton Families in Quarter 3.

598 families served in all programs

1,011 children served in all programs

37 families served by our Shelter

families served by Transitional Housing

538 families received rental subsidies in our Rapid Re-Housing program

families served with Eviction Prevention

Impact in numbers

- 64 families housed
- 25 new families entered our Shelter
- families exited our Shelter to stable living conditions
- 2 new families entered Transitional Housing
- families exited Transitional Housing to stable living conditions
- families exited Rapid Re-Housing to stable housing

Spring Break and Teen ACT

Children and vouth in the Hamilton Families residential programs (Shelter and Transitional Housing) enjoyed their first Spring Break outdoors since March 2019.

From March 29 through April 2. children enjoyed Spring Break field trips to SFMOMA and playgrounds in the City. Additionally, teens throughout all programs participated in Hamilton Families' annual Teen ACT (Aspiring Change for Tomorrow) event held in a hybrid model (in-person and virtual) this year at our residential programs. Teen ACT empowers vouth and teens in our programs to live a healthy and productive life, and to pursue their dreams.

This year, **Damion Lee** from the Golden State Warriors provided words of encouragement along with a special keynote from Hamilton Families CEO Kyriell Noon. For teens participating at our residential sites, special meals were provided and enrichment activities such as special art making workshops. Ten panelists shared their personal and professional journeys, including an architect, professional skateboarder, professional basketball player, locksmith, contemporary dancer, Google program manager, and more. 15 teens in Hamilton Families programs participated in this special event, with over 180 teen participants being served in all our programs.



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Following the annual @HamFamSF Teen ACT event last

their artistic skills with graffiti painting, inspired by swag

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On February 3, 2021, Hamilton Families was featured on Hamilton the Musical's "#Ham4Progress" Instagram Takeover Day in honor of Black History Month.

#Ham4Progress highlights social justice issues and provides a platform to discuss and pursue meaningful progress. Hamilton cast member, Christopher Henry Young, interviewed Hamilton Families staff, leadership, and advocates discussing the work of ending family homelessness, exploring the intersections of racial justice and housing justice, and how to make meaningful progress in the years ahead.

Interviews can be found on Instagram at @ham4progress and @hamiltonfamilies.













"About a Home" documentary film

With support from the Bay Area Video Coalition (BAVC) and Google.org, Hamilton Families released a documentary short film directed by Daniel Chein and Elizabeth Lo titled "About A Home." The first of three documentary shorts commissioned by Hamilton Families, "About a Home" shares the story of Hamilton Families participants, Precious Sarria and family, and their experience of homelessness during the COVID-19 pandemic. The film premiered in the 2021 Slamdance Film Festival and was also featured in Silicon Valley's world-renowned film festival, Cinequest, as well as the Ann Arbor Film Festival and the Atlanta Film Festival.

What's to come in Quarter 4

In Quarter 3, Hamilton Families focused on reaching more families experiencing homelessness across the San Francisco Bay Area—both through our existing programs and new initiatives—and we plan to invest the same energy into our work for Quarter 4.

On April 27, Hamilton Families will host a <u>Virtual Fireside Chat</u> with Rabbi Ryan Bauer of San Francisco's Congregation Emanu-El and Hamilton Families CEO, Kyriell Noon.

The conversation will explore the current state of family homelessness in San Francisco, how Hamilton Families has risen to meet the unique challenges of the past year, and what activities and challenges are on the horizon as Hamilton Families works toward its mission to end family homelessness in the San Francisco Bay Area.

May 9 is Mother's Day! In celebration, Hamilton Families will be honoring all the incredible mothers at Hamilton Families with special events and our annual Mother's Day Fundraiser.

Individual and corporate fundraisers will take part in this online Mother's Day Peer-to-Peer Fundraiser to support families experiencing homelessness in our programs. Our special Mother's Day Collection has also launched in the new Hamilton Families merch store. Proceeds from these sales directly support the programs and operations at Hamilton Families.



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Thank you

For your investment and partnership in ending family homelessness in our communities.

This work is not possible without the continued support of our many individual, corporate, institutional, and community partners. We look forward to keeping you informed of the impact that your financial investment is having on the hundreds of families served by Hamilton Families.

For more information and the latest news, sign up for our email updates at hamiltonfamilies.org

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