Over $12.25 Million Secured for the Mission District's Families, Small Businesses, and Residents



Dear D9 Neighbor,

I am pleased to announce that **over $12.25 million in funding has been secured for the Mission District's families, small businesses, and residents** to significantly improve street conditions.

Last Friday, the Mayor and I announced $12.25 million for the 16th and 24th Street BART plazas and surrounding areas from a $9.25 million Crankstart Foundation grant and a $3 million state grant. Since then, the Mayor has announced a $100 million donation from Brian Chesky to the City's parks.

I am beyond grateful to Crankstart for making this long-needed investment in the BART plazas and the surrounding Mission communities, and to Mr. Chesky for providing funding for Garfield Square Park and other public parks. For more than a year, my office has worked alongside constituents, small businesses, and community organizations to advocate for increased community ambassador coverage and meaningful improvements to the public spaces surrounding the 16th and 24th Street BART stations. We have also called attention to the disparity in programming and investment between D9 parks and parks in other districts. We are optimistic that this funding mitigates some of those disparities.

These investments are an important step forward, and reflect a shared commitment between our office, Mayor Lurie's administration, community leaders, state representatives, and San Francisco philanthropic organizations to ensure that the Mission receives the resources and attention it deserves.

Together, these resources will help create safer, cleaner, and more welcoming public spaces, while supporting our constituents, visitors, and the small businesses that make the Mission

such a special community.

A key part of the Crankstart investment is ensuring that students and families at Marshall Elementary School feel safe and supported on their way to and from school and while on campus. Marshall families have consistently advocated for the return of Spanish-speaking community ambassadors, whose positions were eliminated due to previous budget cuts. Through our continued advocacy and partnership, we are proud to help restore this program to the benefit of the school community. A Spanish-speaking community ambassador will be available to support students and parents during morning drop-off and afternoon dismissal. The investment will also support physical improvements in the public areas adjacent to the school grounds, including features such as murals, landscaping and other strategies to activate the spaces with neighborhood placemaking. These improvements will reinforce ongoing efforts to provide brighter lighting, more frequent cleaning, and a coordinated city presence in the area.

Community ambassadors also play an important role in strengthening our comprehensive plan of neighborhood safety. They serve as additional eyes and ears on the street, connect community members with resources, and help de-escalate situations. By addressing quality-of-life concerns and engaging directly with the community, ambassadors allow police officers to focus on responding to violent crime. With this new funding, ambassadors will have an expanded area of coverage and hours around the Mission BART plazas and surrounding corridors.

The additional $3 million in state funding will allow the City to further activate the BART plazas and invest in the infrastructure needed to support public safety solutions, local vendors, small businesses, and regular community activations.

To be sure, any funding or strategies that impact the Mission District will require community input and collaboration, including with the local organizations on the ground who work daily to improve conditions for our residents, and hold decision-makers accountable to community needs and voices.

While this is an important milestone, our work is far from over. I will continue working alongside our constituents, community organizations, small businesses, and our city departments to ensure these investments translate into meaningful, lasting improvements. The Mission deserves safe, vibrant public spaces where families feel welcome, small businesses can thrive, and kids can safely go to and from school in a safe and clean environment. These investments bring us one step closer to making that vision a reality.

With gratitude,



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