

Stronger Together



As uncertainty looms larger than ever, women everywhere face new challenges—yet we refuse to surrender our hope in each other.

For us, solidarity isn't just words—it's daily action. Every day, someone needs an abortion, refuge, legal help, food, shelter, or information. And every day, women respond—feeding, caring, building, healing.

For over 50 years, we've been that safe harbor across generations. This **March 8th** reminds us that our common struggle, born from shared experiences, only grows stronger with each passing year.

Your support fuels our work. This International Women's Day, donate to become part of a 50-year legacy of care that transcends generations. Together, we persist.

More about our work at womensbuilding.org

Take Action here!

Empowering Entrepreneurs

On February 5th, we partnered with Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center to host a workshop on starting a business using an ITIN. Participants learned the essential first steps and received follow-up guidance from Renaissance to continue their journey. There's often a narrow image of what an "immigrant entrepreneur" looks like, but the reality is shifting. According to the American Immigration Council, 11% of immigrant women are entrepreneurs today—up from 8% in 2000. In fact, immigrant women are more likely to own businesses than U.S.-born women, where only 7.5% are entrepreneurs.

At TWB, we're committed to providing accessible resources to help our community overcome entrepreneurial challenges. If you believe in fostering opportunities for all, consider supporting our work at www.womensbuilding.org!





Emergency Preparedness at TWB

On Thursday, February 20th, partner organizations sharing space at TWB gathered for a crucial **emergency preparedness training** led by Carlos Cornejo from Catholic Charities SF. This is the second workshop we've coordinated, emphasizing our shared commitment to **strengthening our ability to respond to crises**. By investing in preparedness, we're strengthening the safety and resilience of our entire community. We look forward to continuing this important work together!





Tax Season at TWB Is in Full Swing!

Our free tax clinic kicked off on January 30, and so far, we've successfully filed **87 tax returns!** A huge thank you to the local businesses—Souvla, Bi-Rite Family of Businesses, Flour + Water Pizzeria, Craftsman and Wolves, and Delfina Pizzeria—for keeping our hardworking team fueled.

Remember, our <u>tax clinics</u> run through April 12 on Thursdays (4:30 PM - 8:30 PM) and Saturdays (10 AM - 2 PM). Services are completely free and available in English & Spanish.

Schedule your appointment today! (415) 431-1180 ext. 1100

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The Countdown Begins!

On May 16, from 6-9 PM, TWB will come alive with the power of care and solidarity.

UNSTOPPABLE: The Power of Collective Strength is a celebration of the women who shape our communities—activists,



caregivers, students, workers, and leaders—those who, together, make change possible.

While we're keeping some surprises in store, we invite **forward-thinking sponsors and supporters** to help uplift and celebrate the unstoppable women leading our future.



Community Resilience in Action!

We're excited to launch this new section to introduce you to the women on our Board of Directors and share their stories about why they've chosen to be part of our community!

My name is Liliana Hernandez and I am currently your Board secretary, serving my second year. As a child of immigrants, I was taught the importance of helping others but at times, I would see my own parents hesitate to acknowledge the help that could be accessible to them. I would observe my mother doing mental accounting in the market's aisles to stretch the allowance that my father had provided for the household shopping. In these moments, she'd highlight the peace-of-mind that came with financial stability and encouraged me to study hard so I would never have to rely on anyone for financial support.



I became familiar with <u>TWB's mission</u> while working as a financial coach in the Community Resource Room. The Smart Money Coaching program is a free service for residents of San Francisco to meet with a certified financial coach and obtain guidance to achieve financial goals such as improving a credit score or increasing savings. My clients were from various socio-economic backgrounds and I loved partnering alongside each individual to create a personalized plan of action. It was a privilege to work alongside the building's staff and volunteers who showed up each day to make a difference in our community.

Not everyone is comfortable with being vulnerable enough to ask for help. That is why these spaces are critical to have, without judgement, without fear, so we may work toward making equitable change in the world.

Whether you need help or are in a space where you can be of assistance to others, I invite you to connect with the Building and get involved with our mission. Please help us continue providing support in the community and donate or volunteer today.



March is Women's History Month! & we have a full lineup of events to celebrate! Join us for community gatherings, Know Your Rights workshops, a celebration of women in business, and more.

Stay connected and be the first to know about all the details by following us on **social media**. Let's come together to learn, celebrate, and continue building a more just and equitable future!



Join us on Wednesday, March 26, from 5–8 PM at TWB for "Celebrating Women in Business: Panel & Marketplace."

Enjoy an inspiring panel, a vibrant marketplace, networking, and resources to support women entrepreneurs. Don't miss this special night of empowerment and community!

Get your tickets and sponsorships here!



Our 2024 Annual Report is here—a testament to what we've achieved together. It's a reflection of mutual care, community power, and the transformative impact of networks rooted in justice and empowerment. This report is more than numbers—it's a story of how we, as a community, take care of each other, create space for healing, and solidarity!

Explore the report by clicking here!

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