Bahay Kalinga sa SoMa

Bahay Kalinga means "house of care" in Tagalog, the national language of the Philippines. SoMa is San Francisco's South of Market neighborhood.

THE FIRST 100 DAYS

On July 1, 2026, the Filipino Community Development Corporation (FCDC) opened Bahay Kalinga sa SoMa at 122 9th Street, a community resource center for neighbors who are unhoused or at risk of losing their housing. In its first 100 days, a new center run by a part-time team opened its doors five days a week, built a network of partners who refer neighbors to it, and started a free breakfast program. This report shares what happened, what it takes to run the center, and what we are learning.

July 1 to October 8, 2026

293 VISITS	**213** MEALS
65 PEOPLE SERVED	**300+** HYGIENE KITS AND CLOTHING ITEMS

The garden patio at Bahay Kalinga, called Halamanan sa Patyo ("garden on the patio").

Why Bahay Kalinga

FCDC organizes its work in three pillars: Ending Homelessness, Housing Affordability, and Inclusive Community Development. Bahay Kalinga is part of the first, through FCDC's Urban Rest and Sleep Center (URSC) program, and it works alongside the other two.

> *"At Bahay Kalinga, we welcome and serve our unhoused neighbors who come to us for support, guided by the Filipino values of malasakit, kapwa, and bayanihan: compassion, shared humanity, and community."*
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> LORENZO LISTANA, FCDC FOUNDING DIRECTOR

The First 100 Days

July 1
DOORS OPEN
Bahay Kalinga opens at 122 9th Street.

mid-July
CASE MANAGEMENT AND REFERRALS
Neighbors meet with a case manager by appointment for intake, a service plan, and connections to housing, health, and benefits. 25 people are in individual case management and 40 households receive group support for housing stability. 65 neighbors to date came to us through partner referrals.

HYGIENE SUPPLIES AND CLOTHING
300+ hygiene kits and clothing items ready for distribution

September
ON-SITE LAUNDRY
A washer-dryer was installed so neighbors can have clothes and bedding cleaned at the center.

October 5
BREAKING BREAD: SALO-SALO SA PATYO
Free breakfast on the garden patio, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9 AM to noon, for unhoused and displaced neighbors, partially donated by Quaker House. Monday is Filipino breakfast, Wednesday is American, and Friday is Latino. Salo-Salo sa Patyo means "a shared meal on the patio." 140 breakfasts served so far.

HALAMANAN SA PATYO
The garden is open to SoMa residents and community volunteers as an easy, low-pressure way to get to know the center. Fruits and vegetables are growing and will be distributed to the community at the first harvest.

October 8
DAY 100
100 days of care with our neighbors and partners.

In Progress
SHOWERS, HEALTH, AND DENTAL CARE
Free showers are being set up with two nearby SoMa hotels. Agreements are in progress with Mabuhay Health Center and Magic ToothBus health clinics. We will report these as services once they are running.

How a visit becomes a plan

WEEKS 1 AND 2
Referral and assessment

- A partner refers someone, or they make an appointment.
- A first conversation with our case worker and intern.
- Intake leads to a service plan and connections to partners.

WEEKS 3 AND 4
Follow-up and coordination

- We track progress on the plan.
- We coordinate between services.
- We work on the most urgent needs and barriers first.

ONE MONTH AND BEYOND
Continuing support

- Ongoing follow-up.
- Referrals and connections to resources.
- Support for as long as it is needed.

This path also shows the center's limits. Every step depends on case management hours, which today are part-time: about 25 to 30 hours a month. A visit becomes a plan only as fast as staff hours allow, and between visits neighbors need reasons to come back so follow-up can happen.

***Hours:** Monday to Friday, 10 AM to 5 PM, by appointment or referral. Call (628)789-2330 to schedule.*

***Breaking Bread for all neighbors:** Mondays,Wednesdays, and Fridays, 9 AM to noon.*

Partners who widen the front door

Bahay Kalinga does not work alone. Partners bring health, dental, and shower services that FCDC does not have to build or pay for by itself, and they send neighbors to the center. Early, flexible support from an anonymous family foundation helped FCDC put the basics in place when the center opened.

QUAKER HOUSE
Breaking Bread breakfast

TWO SOMA HOTELS
Showers, being set up

BISHOP
Bill Sorro Housing Program
Outreach and housing access

MABUHAY HEALTH CENTER
Health partnership, agreement in progress

PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT
Outreach

SF COMMUNITY LAND TRUST
Tenant support

Magic ToothBus
Dental partnership, agreement in progress

SOMCAN
South of Market Community Action Network. Outreach

REFERRAL PARTNERS
Canon Kip Senior Center, Asia Pacific Legal Outreach, Tenderloin People's Congress (MOU's pending)

What it takes to run Bahay Kalinga

The center is in its ramp-up phase. The table shows where we are today and what the center looks like when it is fully running.

	Today	At full operation (planning budget)
Open	Five days a week, by appointment or referral	8 hours a day, 260 days a year
Team	8 Part-time, about 25 to 30 hours a month per role	8 full-time staffing budget
Neighbors	65 people served through case maangemet in 100 days	Planning level of 35 neighbors a day
Everything else	$85,000 including building and improvements costs	$290,000 a year for supplies and program costs

Why $62.

It is the cost to operate Bahay Kalinga for one day and provide care for one neighbor. The figure depends on how many neighbors the center serves: about $86 at 25 a day, $72 at 30, $62 at 35, and $54 at 40.

How the space is funded.

Build Inc donates the rent. The budget still counts facility costs so the true cost of running this model stays visible. FCDC's most recent annual expenses were about $70,000 , so a fully running Bahay Kalinga is larger than FCDC's whole budget has been. That is by design. 2026 is the opening year, and we are building toward full operation carefully.

What We Are Learning

Early lessons

REFERRALS WORK.
65 neighbors arrived through partner referrals in 100 days.

PEOPLE RETURN WHEN THERE IS A REASON.
Breakfast, laundry, and a warm meal in the garden give neighbors reasons to come back, and each return visit is a chance to follow up on a plan.

STAFF HOURS SET THE PACE.
More case management hours means more visits become plans.

What We Are Working Toward

Next

- Keep the doors open five days a week, and breakfast three mornings a week.
- Bring showers and health and dental care on-site with our partners.
- Make the center easy to find, including more referral partners and listings where people search for help.
- Add more case management and outreach hours as funding allows.

How You Can Help

Four ways to be part of it

Bahay Kalinga is a community effort, and there is room for you in it. If one of these fits, we would be glad to hear from you.

GIVE

It costs about $62* to run Bahay Kalinga and care for one neighbor for one day. Sponsor a day and put a name on it. Gifts of any size are pooled to support Bahay Kalinga and FCDC's work where the need is greatest.

SPONSOR A NEIGHBOR

GIVE YOUR TIME

Volunteers help serve breakfast, tend the garden, and welcome neighbors.
Email **all.info@filipinocdc.org**

GIVE GOODS

Our **wishlist list** what we use every week, such as hygiene supplies, laundry supplies, and socks. Items ship to our office, never to the center.

FUND A PROGRAM

Interested in funding a program or an offering at Bahay Kalinga? Gifts of food or supplies for Breaking Bread, volunteer hours, and funding all help, and they go furthest together. Contact Lorenzo Listana to talk it through: **lorenzo.foundingdirector@filipinocdc.org** or call **(628) 789-2330.**

**$62 is based on Bahay Kalinga's full operating costs at 35 people a day. Gifts are pooled to support Bahay Kalinga and FCDC's work where the need is greatest.*

PARTNER WITH US.

If your organization serves unhoused or displaced neighbors, or could host an hour at the center such as a clinic, benefits help, or tenant counseling, please reach out. Referrals from partners are how the center fills.

Salamat po. *(Thank you, with respect.)*

Your support helped open Bahay Kalinga's doors. It will help keep them open and make every day there count.

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