

CARQUINEZ VILLAGE

CONNECTING, SUPPORTING *and* INSPIRING OLDER ADULTS



2023

Annual Report

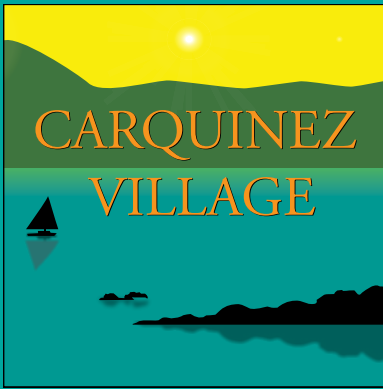


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The Key to Life is Loving Kindness
Bench dedication honoring
Judie Donaldson (1938–2023)
Co-founder of Carquinez Village

Building Toward a Better Future



The Boomer Generation has not received this much attention since the wild and woolly sixties, a time when we challenged existing systems and helped lay the foundations for new social norms, policies, and direction. We framed the future then and we are at it again.

Very soon those reaching the age of 60 will outnumber those under the age of 18, creating a demographic that is presenting an opportunity to redesign healthcare, housing, nutrition, and transportation. Discussions are taking place at the state and federal levels and within our own families. Carquinez Village is well-positioned to be an influencer in the design of this new future.

Carquinez Village was founded through the vision of two Benicia women who wanted to revolutionize the experiences of aging. They saw change coming and wanted to be part of the solutions. Together with others of like mind, they saw value in living safely in their own homes and communities but needed assistance to do so. They wanted easy access to social connections, educational programs and stimulating activities in order to stay current and

involved. They could see that by working together, and utilizing volunteer energy, this could happen.

These same thoughts were occurring to people throughout the country. In California, there are now forty-seven thriving villages. The driving force of the Village movement are the volunteers who make up our Boards and offer everyday support like transportation and check-in calls and visits.

Carquinez Village supports 150 members with the help of approximately 70 volunteers in Benicia and Vallejo. We hold memberships in the Village Movement of California and the National Village to Village Network. We began as community members, and now we find ourselves as part of a strong community of friends and partnerships.

A powerful voice for older adults in our area, we are dedicated to enhancing the ability of each of our members to live full, independent lives. We are a charitable tax exempt 501 C3 nonprofit depending primarily on dues and the open hearts of our generous donors.

Letter from the Executive Director & President

2023 Annual Report

As we reflect on the past year and set our 2024 goals, Helen and I want to express our deep appreciation to all of our hard working volunteers who remain the heartbeat of our organization. Through a period of uncertainty and adaptation, they dedicated themselves to serving older adults in our community, providing resources needed to thrive in the place they call home. In 2023, we continued to fulfill this mission by offering a wide range of support and programs designed to empower our Villagers and enhance their quality of life.

We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to our sponsors and donors, whose generosity sustains our meaningful work. Your support has been instrumental in making a positive impact on the lives of residents as they age, and we are grateful for your commitment to our cause. We offer a special thank you to the City of Benicia and the Human Services Board for enabling us to appoint and staff an Executive Director, a crucial step in helping Carquinez Village reach its fullest potential.

It is estimated that by 2030, nearly 20% of California's population will be over the age of 65. As we look to the future, our goals include broadening our program offerings with additional volunteers, embracing new members from diverse backgrounds, fostering deeper connections within our community, and championing policies that put the needs of older adults in Benicia and Vallejo at the forefront. We are committed to enhancing the quality of life for the elders we serve, and we invite you to join us in this journey.

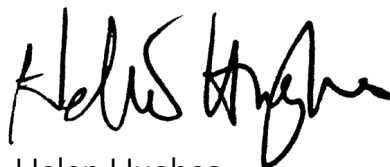
As we embark on this new chapter, we invite all of our friends, old and new, to contribute to Carquinez Village and help us continue a mission rooted in the belief that every individual deserves to age with dignity and independence. Your donations, whether financial or through volunteering your time and expertise, are instrumental in helping us provide critical services to older adults in Benicia and Vallejo, particularly during these tough economic times.

In closing, we are optimistic and enthusiastic about the year ahead! With your help, Carquinez Village will continue to serve the needs of older adults, providing them with a strong sense of security and belonging.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Hanley
Executive Director



Helen Hughes
President

OH, THE FUN WE HAVE!

CONNECTING

Boy Oh Boy Bocce Ball
Picnics and Potlucks Galore
Holiday & Founding Day Parties
Private House Concerts
Lavender Farm Tour
Glasoff Sculpture Ranch Tour
Ruth Bancroft Garden Tour
San Francisco Symphony



SUPPORTING

Voter Awareness & Education
Cyber Crime Prevention
& Support
Fall Prevention Series
Brain Enrichment Classes
Emergency Preparedness
Recycling Information
Exercise & Mobility Classes



INSPIRING

Monthly Speaker Series
July 3rd Torchlight Parade
Touro University Partnership
Benicia Dog Festival
Senior Resource Fair
Holiday Adopt a Family

Thank You!

With grateful hearts we honor our **Donors:**

\$10,000 +

Susan & Mark Neuhaus

\$5,000

Diane Choquette

\$1,000+

Suzanne Awalt

Karen Burns

Dennis Dellarocca

Jeanie & Tim

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\$500+

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Charlene Ping

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Robin Plutchok

Kay Reid

Alvin Russell

Karen Schlumpp

Craig Snider

Rose Sonnen

Sherrie Szalay

Pete & Gayle

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Barrett Vogel

Barbara Wood

Sabina Yates

and our **Supporting Partners:**

Benicia Lutheran Church, Benicia Parkinson's Group, Benicia Public Library, Benicia Senior Center, City of Benicia-Health & Human Services Board, Community Congregational Church of Benicia, Community Presbyterian Church of Vallejo, Florence Douglas Center, Kyle Hyland Foundation, Heritage Presbyterian Church, Pedrotti Ace Hardware, San Francisco Symphony, and Valero

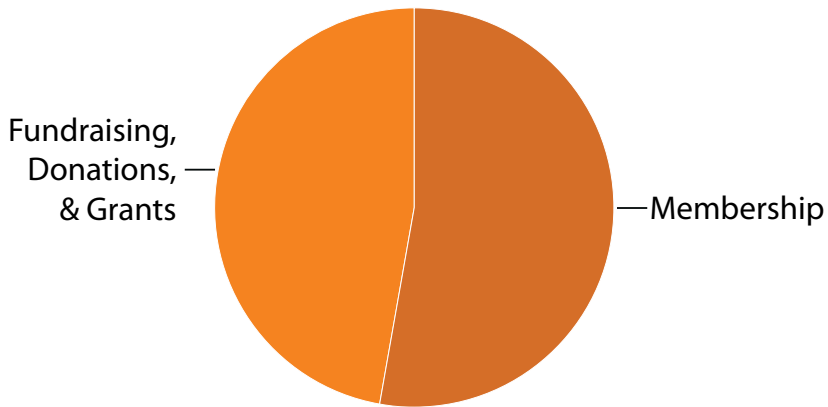


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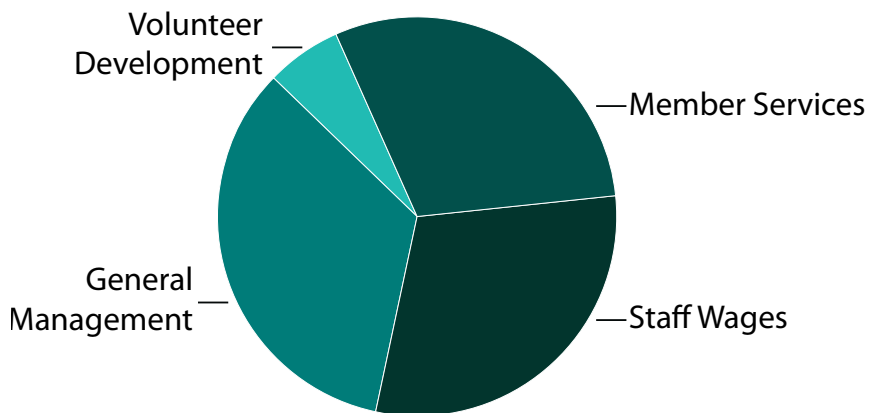
Financials

2023 Revenue



Income

Membership	\$45,348.00
Fundraising, Donations & Grants	\$39,932.00
Total	\$85,280.00



Expenses

Member Services	\$17,211.00
Staff Wages & Benefits	\$17,432.00
General Management	\$19,399.00
Volunteer Development	\$2,949.00
Total	\$56,991.00



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Volunteers:

58 are member volunteers

150

Membership:

residents of Benicia & Vallejo

Services:

734

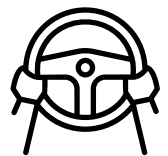
unique services provided

562

round-trip rides

2,231

events offered





Carquinez Village strives to lessen the growing crises of loneliness, isolation, and unaffordable, inaccessible social care for older adults in our communities.

The butterfly effect of our efforts is making meaningful impact on the lives of so many in Benicia and Vallejo.

We have more to do and together we will continue to light up the lives of our members.

Join the Village Movement!

- Become a member!
- Sponsor an elder in need
- Join our volunteer team!
- Become a volunteer driver
- Join one of our committees
- Make a donation to provide support
- Share your talent or expertise by presenting at a speaking engagement
- Host an event or activity for our members
- Donate to our auction or a fundraiser



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