

What is COMO?

Communities of the Outer Mission Organization. Businessmen, homeowners, tenants, taxpayers, etc., interested in improving our neighborhoods.

**Excelsior • Portola • Crocker-Arson
Cayuga Park • Bernal Heights**

Some of Our Neighborhoods' Problems:

Inadequate Recreational Programs
Unkept and Unsightly Vacant Lots
2nd-Rate Public Services
Run-down Housing
Vandalism

COMO operates as a coalition—*block clubs, improvement associations, businessmen's associations, church groups, school organizations, etc.*

In the summer of 1973, people in the Outer Mission interested in *doing something to stop the deterioration* of our part of San Francisco, organized a Board of Directors.

With an initial grant of \$120,000 from the San Francisco Foundation, supplemented by smaller grants from local churches and the Archdiocese of San Francisco, we assembled a staff and opened an office. A year after we began, we established a Community Congress. In March, 1976, we held our Second Community Congress. For a full day, 800 representatives from 225 organizations refined the COMO constitution, elected officers, and set goals for our Community.

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Some of COMO's Accomplishments

- Additional police car assigned to Portola
- Installation of stop signs at 30 intersections
- Better street-sweeping service
- Opening of Day Care Center for working mothers
- Over 15 absentee-owned slum buildings fixed
- \$500,000 for McLaren Park development
- \$70,000 for Portola Playground renovation

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How You Can Help

Through discussion, negotiation and compromise, people *are* taking hold and striving to make the Outer Mission a safer community in which to live, work, play, and do business.

The deterioration *is* being arrested. The Outer Mission is aiming towards more stabilized conditions.

COMO's rapid growth and many services to our community have virtually exhausted our funding. Your tax-deductible contribution to COMO is a pledge for continued action!

Our Goal is \$69,000

Here's how it will be spent:

Director	\$10,000
Assistant Director	10,000
Organizers (4)	27,000
Secretary	5,000
Supplies	5,000
Telephone	6,000
Office and related expenses	5,000
Professional fees	1,000
Total	\$69,000

To help sponsor COMO, please send your tax-deductible contribution to:

Communities of the Outer Mission Organization
601 Tompkins Avenue
San Francisco 94110
Telephone: 648-5605

\$1,000 ____ \$500 ____ \$100 ____ \$50 ____ \$25 ____ \$10 ____
Other _____

Outer Mission neighborhoods band together

Halfway House Uproar

Reviving The Outer Mission

Portola Block Clubs Get Safer Streets

Over 120 people from the seven Portola Block Clubs met in an

COMO's first goal was to get people to agree on neighborhood needs.

SPCA to Add Patrols

Outer Mission fight decay, wants in stem flight

Groups help

The Outer Mission was beginning to show signs of urban decay, but its residents have found that by banding together they can salvage their neighborhoods.

A child-care demand

in Outer Mission

Should Outer Mission residents fight plans McDonald's to open one of its fast food outlets on the site of the old Granada

Tough issues face Mission

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COMO: People Working

Together To Halt Exodus

COMO's method: COMO members last week fronted police officials with a demand that foot patrols be brought results. portions of these two streets

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Mission group told to stop signs

Women seek red

Federal funds

Outer Mission

demands a share enter goes business will pick up

McCarthy told a coalition of Outer Mission district groups "to push prod and demolish, if necessary, people who were unresponsive to community needs."

McCarthy was the keynote speaker yesterday at the groups' first "community congress."

McLaren Park plans pledged

Block club says professor landlord

When Will Fire Debris Remains Be Cleaned Up? The Portola District Doesn't Need This Mess!

A group of Outer Mission District residents are angry at Deputy City Attorney Edward Johnson because they say he won't talk to them about two houses they want cleaned up.

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