



Economic Opportunity Council of San Francisco, Inc. (EOCSF) **Summary of Programs**

Anti-Displacement Coalition

In conjunction with the San Francisco Foundation and in collaboration with a number of other San Francisco non-profit organizations, the purpose of the Coalition is to build a partnership of organizations to reduce residential displacement in five San Francisco low-income neighborhoods with large populations of low-income people of color. The Coalition's goal is to ensure that no residents in the five neighborhoods in question are unjustly removed from their homes. In addition, the Coalition wishes to establish a common goal within these neighborhoods that a minimum of 25% of existing and new housing will be permanently affordable.

Earned Income Tax Credit Workshops

The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) provides substantial support to low- and moderate-income working parents, but very little support to workers without qualifying children (often called childless workers). Workers receive a credit equal to a percentage of their earnings up to a maximum credit. Both the credit rate and maximum credit vary by family size, with larger credits available to families with more children. After the credit reaches its maximum, it remains flat until earnings reach the phase-out point. Thereafter, it declines with each additional dollar of income until no credit is available. EOCSF provides workshops for awareness and understanding of the EITC. Also, raises awareness of the new CA EITC targeted towards very low income families across the state. Only 50% of eligible households claimed it in the 2015 tax season.

Computer Resource Center

EOCSF provides a computer lab in its headquarters offices. There low-income residents of the community have access to computer resources comprising four operational computers and printing/scanning capabilities between the hours of 10am and 4pm. The computers make available to community residents the opportunity to access the Internet, write a resume or cover letter for job opportunities and other resources that those without the means to purchase technology do not normally have.

Internship Program for Low-Income College Students

In collaboration with a number of the local colleges in San Francisco, the Agency provides some of their students with internships during the school year, providing needed services for EOC, like administrative assistance, accounting work, fundraising, etc., for which they are paid a stipend. The students earn some income to help with school expenses or spending money for leisure activities, they garner experience working in an office environment. The Agency gets needed help from motivated, innovative, energetic, college students, as well as the possibility of a future employee.