What do tenants need to do?

- Invite us to visit your building to talk to you and your neighbors.
- Tenants must provide information about income.
- Tenants let us know the condition of the building and the landlord history.
- Tenants advocate with owner for the nonprofit offer to be considered instead of a speculator's offer.

What we would love to make this truly work?

- Tenants who know their housing rights.
- Tenants who are fighting to stay in the building.
- To make the offer competitive, tenants might be part of the future collective ownership.
- Tenants advocate with MEDA and SFCLT for more funds from City to purchase other buildings where tenants are at risk of eviction.

Call MEDA to save your home: (415) 282-3334 ext. 103.



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Is Your Building for Sale and Are You at Risk of Displacement?

Know your rights:

- Many tenants in San Francisco are evicted illegally, especially when the building is for sale.
- Landlords use intimidation to evict families who do not speak English well.
- Landlords try to buyout long-term tenants and may threaten tenants with the start of an Ellis Act eviction or by saying that they will call ICE on immigrants.
- Verbal evictions are NOT LEGAL. All eviction notices must be in writing from the court and all tenants have the right to defend themselves in front of a judge
- Only the sheriff can physically evict you if you lose your court case.
- Just because your building is sold, it does not mean you have to leave. The new landlord must respect your original rental agreement.

Small Sites Program in San Francisco

What is it?

Small Sites is a new program funded by the City of San Francisco. The aim is to acquire buildings where long-term tenants are at risk of being evicted.

- MEDA and SFCLT buy the properties and keep the current tenants, as long as the tenants are in good standing with the existing leases.
- The tenants must be mostly low- to moderate-income.
- Tenants are part of the purchase, so the tenants must want to stay.
- City will provide a deep subsidy to help the purchase so that tenants can keep their homes at affordable rates.



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What we are looking for:

- Buildings about to go on the market or on the market right now.
- Buildings with existing tenants, of which a number are low- to moderate-income households.
- Buildings in the Mission or Mission adjacent.





