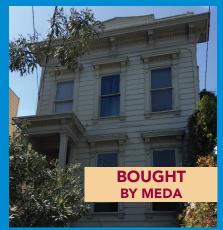
## Your Building Will be Repaired

Small Sites money is used for needed building and apartment repairs.

MEDA buys buildings and makes them better to live in.



380 San Jose **before** repairs.



380 San Jose after repairs.

# Call MEDA to save your home! (415) 282-3334 ext. 123.

"You saved our home. We are eternally grateful. Thank you, MEDA!" — Gigi Amos, 344 Precita Ave.

"We, the tenants, convinced the property owner to take MEDA's offer."

— Beatriz Garduño, 3800 Mission St.

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Some of the tenants who can now stay in their home at 3329 20th St.

## Is Your Building for Sale?

#### Know your rights!

- Just because your building is sold, it does not mean you have to leave. The new landlord must respect your original rental agreement.
- 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.

### San Francisco Small Sites Program

Small Sites is a new program funded by the City of San Francisco.

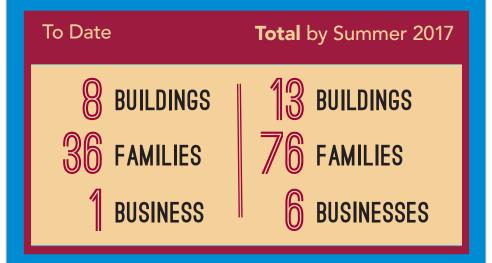
MEDA buys buildings and keep long-term tenants from being evicted!

- MEDA buys a property and keeps 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.

### 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.
- Focus is buildings with families going to Mission schools, buildings along Mission Street and buildings near new market-rate construction.





# If you want MEDA to try to buy your building using the Small Sites Program:

- 1. Contact your MEDA representative at (415) 282-3334 ext. 123.
- 2. Organize a meeting with the other tenants to get familiar with the Small Sites Program.
- 3. Speak to your landlord and let them know that you are at risk of displacement if an investor were to buy your building. Let them know that MEDA is able to purchase the property at full appraised value.
- 4. Collaborate with MEDA during the whole process of acquiring the building: inspection, documents, meetings, etc.
- 5. Participate in meetings and activities to promote the program by sharing your stories and advocating for more resources.