

# FREEDOM WEST

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## Upcoming Freedom West Alumni Events

### Mother's Day Celebration

May 14th

### Father's Day Celebration

June 11th

### National Night Out

August 2nd

### Freedom West Family Day

September 24th

### Holiday Grocery Giveaway

December 10th

## Freedom West 2.0 Shareholder Update & Feedback Day!

Dozens of residents offered feedback on design and landscape plans for Freedom West 2.0 at an important stakeholder meeting on Saturday, April 9.

The event, which took place at the Freedom West Rec Hall and was broadcast over Zoom, included an

update on the new co-op buildings and surrounding landscape, designed by the DLR Group and Hood Design Studio. Freedom West stakeholders were able to view enlarged images of the design update and provide input on the look and feel of the buildings and grounds.



Attendees were also able to view a special pre-screening of the award-winning mini-documentary, "Reimagining Freedom West," a short film narrated by actor, global civil rights activist and San Francisco resident Danny Glover.

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## Freedom West's Management Contact Info: **415-929-1011**

### Anthony Maldonado

– Community Manager

### Monica Garcia

– Assistant Community Manager

### Krystyna Gurova

– Admin. Assistant

### Tywon Fitzgerald

– Maintenance Supervisor

### Paul Figueroa

– Maintenance Tech

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Along with providing an opportunity to weigh in on the Freedom West 2.0, shareholders enjoyed snacks and refreshments and took part in raffle drawings that included gift cards worth up to \$200.

The event offered a great opportunity to connect with neighbors while encouraging meaningful conversations about the upcoming plans for Freedom

West. These kind of gatherings are crucial to strengthening the community and keeping the dream of Freedom West 2.0 alive. We look forward to hosting many more in the future!

*A recap of the designs presentation will be shared during the upcoming Freedom West board meeting with shareholders on April 26th at 6 p.m. Please be sure to join us!*

## Important Notice: Please Fill Out Your Income Verification Form

As part of the process to make Freedom West 2.0 a reality for all shareholders, additional funding from federal, state and local governments will be needed. Under the terms of those public funding agreements, Freedom West must demonstrate that a majority of shareholders have an income at or below \$139,000 a year for a family of four.

As a requirement of your occupancy agreement, all shareholders are required to complete an income verification form, **which was recently mailed to all residents**. The form should only take a few minutes to complete. It is vital that all shareholders accurately report their income. It's important to note that the information provided in this document will not impact current carrying charges.

Once the form is complete, shareholders should return it to the Avanath Management Office by **May 10, 2022**.

Historically, when Freedom West has received subsidy assistance from HUD, all shareholders were required to provide annual income verifications and the Freedom West Occupancy Agreements continue to require shareholders to

provide this information. The grant (subsidy assistance) that Freedom West currently receives from the City of San Francisco also requires that all shareholders complete these forms.

As a reminder this grant provides Freedom West with \$300,000 annually and it is only because of this grant that Freedom West has not had to raise the carrying charges for all shareholders in order to cover the cost of Freedom West subsidizing carrying charges for the 60 households who previously received subsidy assistance from HUD. The subsidy assistance from HUD stopped in 2015 when the HUD loan was paid off and Freedom West has been covering the subsidy cost for those 60 households since that time.

Freedom West 2.0 was envisioned as an opportunity to ensure affordable, high-quality housing for generations to come. These income verification forms are an essential part of that vision.

If you have any questions, please contact the Avanath office at 415-929-1011 or email [freedomwest@avanath.com](mailto:freedomwest@avanath.com).



## Management Corner

### Who to contact in emergency situations:

- If you are experiencing a **medical emergency**, please call 911 immediately.
- Freedom West's security company is SVR. The security team can be reached at 415-724-3215

### Call the management office if:

- There is a repair needed in your unit
- You have an issue with payment of carrying charges
- You have an issue with registering a vehicle to qualify for parking on a Freedom West lot
- You have a pest control issue. Pest Control service is the 4th Wednesday of every month. Please call the office to get on the schedule.
- You have an issue with a neighbor

**The next board meeting with shareholders will be held on April 26th at 6 p.m. on Zoom.**