



## **2023 Annual Meeting**

Highlands Country Club

March 23rd, 2023

# *Agenda*

**6:30 p.m.**      Meet & Greet

**7:00 p.m.**      NHCA Business Meeting:  
                      NHCA Mission  
                      Status of the Treasury  
                      2022 Accomplishments  
                      Election of the 2023 Board of Directors

**7:30 p.m.**      Guest Speakers  
                      Mayor Sheng Thao  
                      District 4 Councilmember Janani Ramachandran  
                      Oakland Fire Chief Reginald Freeman

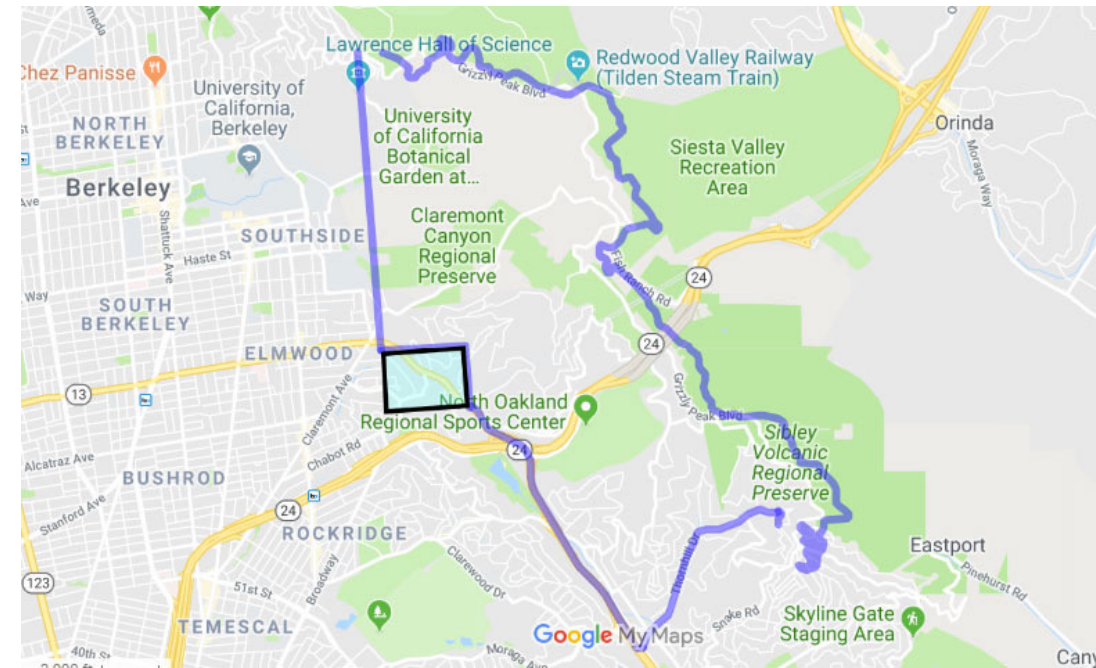
**8:00 p.m.**      Raffle Drawing

Adjournment

# NHCA Mission

North Hills Community Association:

- Founded in 1992
- Incorporated the area Neighborhood Crime Prevention Council (NCPC) and represents residents in the Beat 13Y of the Oakland Police Department
- Focuses on:
  - Public Safety
  - Gardens & Community Spaces
  - Advocacy
  - Communications
- Is an all-volunteer 501(3)(c) nonprofit
- Open Forum, NHCA Website & Announcements



# *Current Board Members*

Steve Hanson – Chair

Elizabeth Stage – Vice Chair

Carolyn Burgess – Public Safety and Second Vice-Chair

Chris Johnson – Treasurer

Nancy Mueller – Secretary

Daniel Conolly – Garden Chair

Vicki Oliveira – Events Chair, Garden Co-Chair

Shivani Grover – Board Member

Donna Karch – Board Member

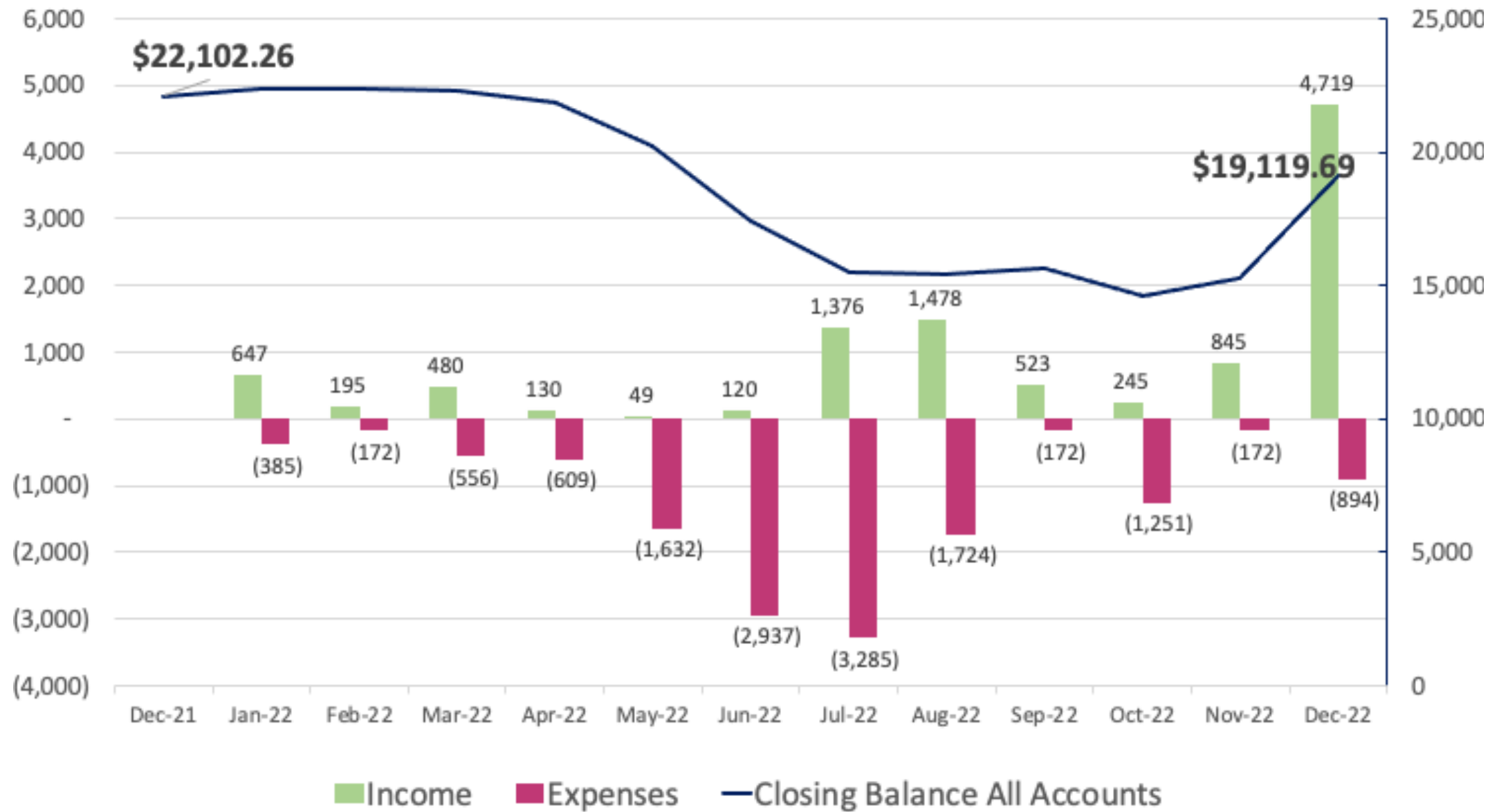
# NHCA Treasurer's Report Fiscal Year 2022

# *NHCA's Financial Operations Overview*

## The North Hills Community Association:

- Is a registered §501(c)(3) non-profit organization.
- Relies entirely on individual and business donations to fund its operations.
- Uses a cash accounting method.
- Has no paid staff and owns no depreciable assets or real property.
- Maintains separate checking and savings accounts.
- Accepts cash donations via check or online and in-kind donations.

## NHCA Financial Report for CY 2022



# 2022 Accomplishments

# *Firestorm Memorial Garden*



# *Gateway Gardens & Pavilion*



# *Gardens & Community Spaces*

2022 marked a **major** overhaul of the two gardens using two efforts:

- Volunteerism
- Contracted & In-Kind Donations

# *Garden & Community Spaces* *cont'd*

## Volunteerism

- **Local Residents**
- **Students**
  - Oakland Tech students
  - The Bentley School
  - UC Berkeley Project
  - The Academy (Elmwood Academy)
- Sequoyah Community Church
- **Employees from**
  - Insurance Industry Charitable Foundation
  - Chevron Corporation
  - Schnitzer Steel

## Contracted & In-Kind Donations

- **Bright View Landscape**
  - 1,000+ volunteer hours,
  - 20 truckloads of green waste removed
- **Big Chief Tree Services**
  - 10 truckloads of mulch delivered to both gardens

# *Garden Committee at Work*



# *Garden Volunteers at Work*



# *Gardens & Community Spaces*

**These spaces are now ready for community use as gatherings for celebrations and enjoy nature**



In August 2022, the committee hosted the first Ice Cream Social

- 100 attendees visited to celebrate the garden progress and to meet their neighbors
- Key leaders from Oakland's police and fire departments, city council members and key city staff attended



# *Public Safety*

**There are two components to the NHCA's public safety work:**

- Education of our residents
- Advocacy within city government offices

# *Public Safety*

**Held periodic information meetings on:**

- Street paving and maintenance
- Crime prevention
- Wildfire awareness
- City vegetation and inspections
- Emergency preparedness

## *Public Safety* cont'd

### **Advocated for:**

- Safe streets
- Evacuation routes
- Parking enforcement
- Police funding and staffing
- Vegetation management and inspections
- Wildfire prevention and emergency preparedness
  - Fire prevention along Grizzly Peak
- Prioritization and budgeting of wildfire prevention in the strategic planning of the Oakland Fire Department

# *Advocacy*

- 2022 efforts focused on increasing influence with:
  - City leaders
  - Elected officials
- Building alliances and synergy with other local, public safety-related groups
  - Claremont Canyon Conservancy
  - The Oakland Firesafe Council
- Monitoring city government planning in light of our area's specific concerns
  - General Plan
  - Mid-year budget cycle
  - Redistricting

# Advocacy *cont'd*

NHCA also hosted several events:

- July 27<sup>th</sup> bench installation and ceremony for OPD Officer John William Grubensky at the Firestorm Memorial Garden
- National Night Out featured on KTVU
- Co-hosted a councilmember and school district board candidate forums with the League of Women Voters
- Organized a forum with Mayor Schaff & the East Oakland Stadium Alliance around Howard Terminal



# Advocacy *cont'd*



**@OaklandFireCA**  
tweeted "Great to catch  
up with old friends and  
make some new friends  
during the 2022  
#NationalNightOut  
festivities in #Oakland. "



*Election of 2023 – 2024 Board Members*

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*Public Safety Chair*

# *Explanation of the Board Composition & Voting*

- A candidate for the NHCA Board of Directors must be a member of the NHCA, i.e. a resident of the Oakland Police Department Beat 13Y.
- The size of the NHCA Board of Directors may fluctuate from a minimum of four (4) members up to a maximum of twelve (12).
- The NHCA Board of Directors members shall hold office for one year.

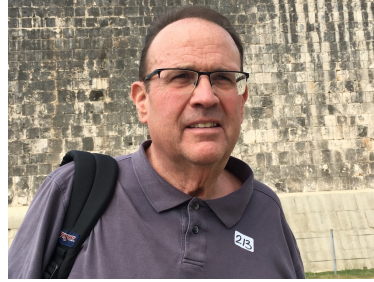
# *Explanation of the Board Composition & Voting* cont'd

- **Nominations may be made from the floor at a membership meeting** provided that the person nominating a candidate for the Board of Directors from the floor present **a petition signed by at least 10 NHCA members** in support of the nomination.
- **The election of Board of Directors members shall be by a majority vote** of the attending general membership at the March NHCA membership meeting.
- In accordance with Oakland City Council Resolution #79235, the **March NHCA membership meeting shall also elect** by a majority vote a Board of Directors member to serve as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair / **Chair of the Public Safety Committee.**

# NHCA 2023—2024 Board Slate



Fred Booker



Dan Conolly



Carolyn Burgess



Shivani Grover



Donna Karch



David Kessler



Nancy Mueller



Vicki Oliveira

# NHCA 2023—2024 Chair of the Public Safety Committee



Carolyn Burgess

# *Thank you to our outgoing board members!*

- Steve Hanson, Chair
- Elizabeth Stage, Vice Chair
- Chris Johnson, Treasurer

*Guest Speakers*

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*Special Guests*



# RAFFLE DRAWING

North Hills Community Association ANNUAL MEETING  
Highland Country Club  
110 Hiller Drive, Oakland  
Thursday, March 23, 6:30-8:30pm

Casa Orinda Restaurant - Fried Chicken Dinner for 4 - \$120  
Scott's Seafood Gift Basket/Food Discount - \$125  
Plant/Floral Arrangement - \$150  
FDR Potomac Boat Cruise (for 2) - \$150  
Star Grocery - Boutique Wines (3 Bottles) - \$200  
Oakland Police Department Ride Along (x2) - Priceless  
Claremont Club & Spa Dinner (for 2) - \$200  
Claremont Club and Spa Deluxe Suite (1 Night ) - \$500

MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN. ONE PRIZE PER PERSON.  
WE ACCEPT CASH OR PERSONAL CHECK.

# *Donation Acknowledgements*

Casa Orinda

FDR Potomac

Claremont Club & Spa, A Fairmont Hotel

Safeway on College Avenue

Costco, Richmond

Scott's Seafood Grill

Costco, San Leandro

Star Grocery

*Adjournment*

*Thank You!!!*