

HONOREE: STREET LEVEL HEALTH PROJECT



We are privileged to present the 2016 Frances Schreiberg Pro Bono Award to Street Level Health Project.

About the Frances Schreiberg Pro Bono Award

Fran Schreiberg has been a leading advocate for improving health and safety laws in California for over 30 years. She is of counsel at Kazan, McClain, Satterley and Greenwood. She is also one of the founders of Worksafe, and has provided consistent leadership and assistance to the organization over a span of three decades.

This special award is named in honor of Fran Schreiberg for her extraordinary contribution of time and expertise to Worksafe's fight for safety, health, and justice for workers. Award recipients are those whose pro bono service has a major impact on Worksafe's ability to deliver the best advocacy, education, and assistance services possible in pursuit of our mission.

Worksafe is proud to present this year's Frances Schreiberg Pro Bono Award to Street Level Health Project (SLHP), one of our partners in the community redevelopment project, "Safe, Secure, and Sustainable Jobs for Day Laborers." That project, done in collaboration with Centro Legal de la Raza, brings together policy advocacy, legal assistance, and worker empowerment to support and promote the economic stabilization of the Alameda County day labor community.

SLHP is an Oakland-based grassroots organization dedicated to improving the health and well-being of underserved urban immigrant communities in the Bay Area. A thriving community center in the heart of the Fruitvale district serves as the "safety net of the safety net," and is a critical entry point in the health care and social service system for a population excluded from the Affordable Care Act.

In order to serve their predominantly adult male clientele, SLHP founded the Oakland Workers Collective in 2012 to utilize vocational training, employment linkage, wage advocacy, and civic engagement activities to empower workers and reduce health risks associated with unemployment and underemployment. In collaboration with Worksafe and Centro Legal de la Raza, SLHP is informing OWC members about occupational health concerns and to fight for the right to a safe and respectful workplace.

The Frances Schreiberg award recognizes outstanding service and commitment in advocacy and community work. SLHP provides multiple services, including bringing health care to the uninsured community by:

- providing free health screening clinic and patient health navigation program,
- providing temporary assistance for those in need of food, clothing and social support,
- addressing the root cause of poor health by empowering and supporting low wage immigrant workers to be active participants in their lives, their families, and their communities; and
- tackling institutional and systemic barriers to health equity through advocacy and coalition building with organizations committed to building power for disenfranchised communities.

SLHP promotes self-sufficiency for marginalized people of color by creating equitable and dignified access to health and employment, regardless of socioeconomic or immigration status. They engage the community in constructing collective power and leadership in order to advance a more just, inclusive, and empathetic society.

The staff of SLHP have gone above and beyond to make sure that they serve as a vital, and robust resource for the community that they serve. We honor their amazing work tonight.