

# Have you ever heard of ACT UP?



# **HAN**

San Francisco AIDS Foundation's
HIV Advocacy Network (HAN) is
a grassroots group of activists in
the Bay Area fighting to end the
HIV/AIDS epidemic and improve
the lives of communities
impacted by HIV.



# **ISSUE AREAS**







**HARM REDUCTION** 



**AGING JUSTICE** 





# **FUNDAMENTALS OF ORGANIZING**

## **Methods of Addressing Social Problems**

Works within Existing Power Relationships



**Social Service** 

**Self Help** 

Research & Education

Advocacy

Direct Action Organizing

### **Direct Action Organizing**

The process by which **people impacted by injustice** take **collective action** to build **power to win meaningful change** in their lives and communities and **transform our society**.

Organizing often involved winning changes in policy, practice, or resource distribution, made by decision-makers of public and private institutions.

It is fundamentally about justice, grassroots democracy and selfdetermination.

## **Principles of Organizing**

Win concrete improvements in people's lives.

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Make people aware of their own power.

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#### Alter the relations of power:

- Build strong organizations and groups
- Pass new laws and budgets that address structural inequality
- Build the movement by allying with others groups

# SAN FRANCISCO BUDGET UPDATES

## **Recruitment & Outreach**





#### • Group Presentations:

Presented to 7 groups in the HIV community

#### Canvassing in the Community:

 Organized 4 outreach initiatives in the community

## **Building Knowledge**

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#### Developed Tools:

- Developed a Budget
   Priorities Document
- Developed Talking Points

#### • Organized a Townhall:

 Hosted a SF HIV Budget Townhall





## **Activating Our Power!**





#### • Constituent Meetings:

 We held constituent meetings with every member of the board of supervisors

#### Action Alerts:

 Over 181 advocates sent in over 856 emails to elected officials

#### Public Comment:

 We gave public comment at 2 public hearings at city hall

## **HIV Community Budget Proposal**



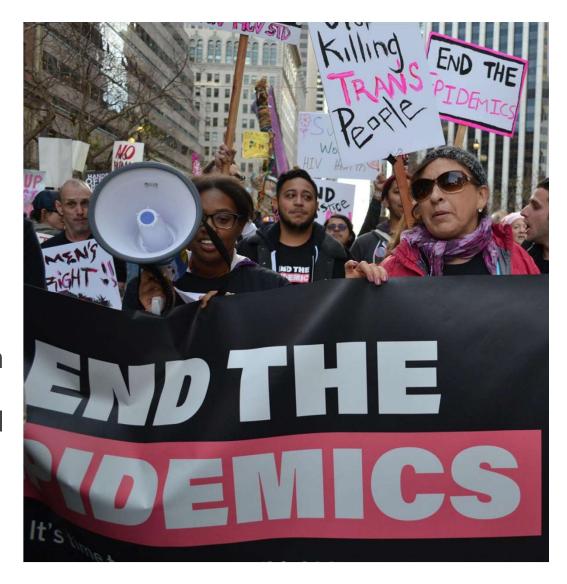
PRESERVE THE HIV CARE SAFETY NET	VICTORY!
MENTAL HEALTH FOR LONG TERM SURVIVORS	\$200 K
HOUSING SUBSIDIES FOR PWHA	\$500 K
SUPPORT CRITICAL HIV SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS	FIGHT CONTINUES
MAINTAIN THE HIV PREVENTION SAFETY NET	\$3 MILLION
INTENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT FOR VULNERABLE PWHA	FIGHT CONTINUES
OVERDOSE PREVENTION SITES	FIGHT CONTINUES

# CALIFORNIA BUDGET UPDATES



Californians Mobilizing to End HIV, STIs, Viral Hepatitis & Overdose

End the Epidemics is a statewide coalition that advocates for anti-racist policies and funding priorities to eliminate health inequities and end the epidemics of HIV, STIs, viral hepatitis, and overdose in California.



## **EtE Week of Action 2022**

- Events & Trainings
  - 2 Advocate Trainings
  - Racial justice workshop
  - Happy Hour Networking
- Legislative Visits
  - o 127 Advocates
  - 39 CA Assembly Districts
  - o 28 CA Senate Districts
- Emails
  - 117 Advocates took action
  - o 6,038 Emails sent
- Social Media Actions



## **EtE State Budget Proposal**



INVEST IN HARM REDUCTION	FIGHT CONTINUES
ADDRESS THE SYPHILIS AND CONGENITAL SYPHILIS CRISIS	\$30 MILLION
CLOSE LGBTQ+ STI COVERAGE GAP	FIGHT CONTINUES
INCREASE CONDOM ACCESS FOR YOUTH	FIGHT CONTINUES
IMPROVE HEPATITIS C PREVENTION AND LINKAGE TO CARE	FIGHT CONTINUES
IMPROVE HEPATITIS B OUTREACH AND LINKAGE TO CARE	\$8 MILLION

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# **QUESTIONS?**

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