# Master List of Ghost Ship Support

This is a master list of the various forms of support and community care that people are offering/requesting to support those who have been impacted by the Ghost Ship fire. **This information** is slowly being moved to a website in order to make the information more easily accessible.

Some of these pages are been vetted and some have not. Please read over pages carefully, especially donation pages. We want to directly support and give mutual aid to those that are affected by the fire while also considering the bigger narrative of gentrification and displacement in the Bay and how it affects more than just artists and musicians.

**To add to doc**: please email a link for the resource you would like added to <a href="https://hana.o.zait+GS@gmail.com">hana.o.zait+GS@gmail.com</a>. This is in order to protect this doc from trolls/folks with intent to do harm, as this has already come up as an issue both in this doc and others related to the fire. That being said, be mindful of what information you think should be included here.

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### Support Listings (offered + requested)

- Listings of specific types of support
  - #OaklandHomes Safe homes #OaklandFire Form for people to offer or request lodging
  - All the places for grief support and therapy in the Bay
  - <u>Free/Low Fee Therapy/Acupuncture/Bodywork Ghost Ship Support</u> Spreadsheet of people/places offering free or low fee therapy/acupuncture/bodywork that have been vetted

- <u>Therapy-Oakland Ghostship fire survivors & directly impacted</u> FB page listing Bay Area therapists who are offering both pro bono and low-fee **therapy** to survivors and the friends and family of the victims
- Low(er) Cost Therapy Bay Area List of low(er) cost therapy (not Ghost Ship specific)
- Herbal Resource Network- Ghostship Fire Relief FB group where people can share herbal relief resources

#### Item donations

- Many places that have been accepting donations are full, so here are some other amazing places in the Bay where you can donate to.\*\*There are MANY more places in the Bay to give -- other than the Salvation Army (anti-LGBTQIA2S+), Goodwill (overpriced reselling), etc -- please do your research.\*\*
  - POOR Magazine (FB) poor people led/indigenous people led grassroots non-profit arts organization dedicated to providing revolutionary media access, art, education, and advocacy to silenced youth, adults and elders in poverty across the globe
  - Qilombo provides direct support for houseless and displaced Black and Indigenous folks in Oakland
  - West Oakland Punks with Lunch (donate) feeding lunch and providing other necessities to people experiencing homelessness in West Oakland
  - The Oakland Women's Center offers a safe, welcoming place where low-income women receive training and support to achieve healthier, more prosperous lives. "Our Sisters Closet" welcomes donations of gently used men's, women's and children's clothing plus baby supplies, bedding and linens. Produce from their Rooftop Garden is distributed to clients and they always require clay pots, potting soil, seeds, etc. Their office and Community Room currently need paper, a copy machine and a card laminator.

#### General support

- Help Ghost Ship information about resources, services, therapies, and free goods
- Resources to support Ghost Ship Spreadsheet for people to offer or request any resources (e.g. lodging, food, healing work, transportation, etc.)
- Grief support form request or offer any support (e.g. getting food deliveries/groceries runs/house cleaners/rides/narcan/herb care/plane tix to where they all need to go)
  - Include relevant info like if you're chemical sensitive, if you have a car, if you would need a ride to get somewhere, if you are QTPOC and prefer to clean QTPOC houses, etc.
- <u>saferspac.es</u> collective local and national efforts to support underground DIY spaces (includes **building services**, **project assistance**, **and legal assistance**, some of which are free or low cost) (not Ghost Ship specific)
- American Red Cross in downtown Oakland (3901 Broadway) offering emergency support to family and those affected: caseworkers who can help with financial and housing needs, and health service/mental health service workers available on site // all resources are free
- <u>List Of Oakland Fire Fundraisers/Benefits/Clothing Drives/Events</u> a doc similar to this one!
- San Francisco-wide syringe access schedule
- <u>East Bay Syringe Exchange Sites</u>

### Facebook Groups

- Public FB groups and events posting about support
  - Ghostship Support, and Love (1,000+ members)
  - Ghost Ship Fire Relief (219 members)
  - Oakland Warehouse Coalition
    - "Oakland Warehouse Coalition advocates for the rights of low-income
       Oaklanders who live and/or work in industrial spaces. All-inclusive and
       privilege-aware." They are working on passing the <a href="https://doi.org/10.10">The EMERGENCY</a>
       TENANT PROTECTION ORDINANCE and GHOST SHIP REMEMBRANCE DAY
       RESOLUTION. Find ways to support their policy efforts offline here.
  - Safer DIY Spaces Oakland
    - "Coordinating effort to improve emergency preparedness infrastructure throughout Oakland's underground art, culture, and community spaces"
  - Group to organize and collaborate to memorialize our friends and family lost in the Ghost Ship fire. This will be an album containing all of the music from those we lost and a booklet with artwork from all the artists we lost with bios of everyone.
  - Eli's Donation and General Support Event
    - "We are working on some google docs spreadsheets to organize resources for grief counseling and other areas of mental health for survivors and the loved ones of those lost. This will be up and running as soon as possible, we will keep everyone updated. We do not have any concrete way of contacting everyone affected by this. The best we can do is blast this out there. If you need anything let us know. Because this is a public event we will have to privately share the address. There will be a bazaar type setup where you can shop around for the things you need. HELPGHOSTSHIP@gmail.com, http://helpghostship.com."

# \$\$\$/Financial Support

#### Benefits

- <u>List of Ghost Ship Benefit Shows</u> via Do the Bay
- <u>List Of Oakland Fire Fundraisers/Benefits/Clothing Drives/Events</u> a doc similar to this one!

#### General

- Qilombo needs funds after being red tagged! Donate on their website, write a check, or give cash to Van, the Financial Operations Lead.
  - Needs: 1) "Heated yurt to continue having our events. We still have a Healing Clinic on the 23rd and a Kwanza event on the 31st. We made a promise to our communities to be consistent with uplifting events so we cannot cancel. 2) We need your support as we enter 2017 in general, but especially need help with the quick repairs to the building that WILL add up to a several grand (staircase, kitchen reconstruction, AND SUPPORT INSTALLING SPRINKLERS/ALARMS, etc)"
- Save Burnt Ramen assist Burnt Ramen in any repairs they may need to help bring the place up-to-date

- Queens house where a lot of people affected by the fire are located // fund started by a local comrade
- Get grieving needs met: Send \$ via PayPal to reachingfortheroots@gmail.com or claireurbanski@gmail.com (PayPal.me link) These funds are being administered by a group of friends in the community with close ties to many of those lost and who have been reaching out to many others most affected. Unlike the Gray Area fund, donations collected by this group will be available to be distributed immediately as urgent needs arise. These folks are supporting ~100 people, many of whom are queer and trans.
  - Examples of costs include: plane tickets for those close to the deceased, food/groceries/toiletries, upcoming memorials to feed grievers, house cleaning supplies, vet bills for the deceased's pets, etc.
- Immediate Oakland Fire Relief fund to provide immediate relief for those most affected by the Oakland Fire who are not eligible for any other source of immediate relief // fund started by a local comrades. This is an alternative to the bureaucracy and limitations of the Gray Arts Fund.
  - This was formerly <u>Love will never die</u> (a fund started by a local comrade to cover the unpaid rent of lost friends)
- Fire Relief Fund for Victims of Ghostship Oakland Fire fund for people affected by the fire (organized by Gray Area Foundation for the Arts) \*\*The funds here are NOT being allocating by local comrades on the ground. See link for details.\*\*
  - <u>Intake form</u> for those affected by the fire
- Oakland Fire Relief assistance and relief to the victims and families (The Oakland A's, the Oakland Raiders, and the Golden State Warriors are matching donations)
- Ghost Ship Fire: Residents Support this fund is for the 20 residents who have lost their home and all their belongings
- The DIY Communities Safety Fund is a San Francisco Bay Area-based micro-grant program that provides direct financial assistance for critical upgrades to help make alternative spaces safer and, ultimately, code-compliant. The program provides funds for pre-inspections, remediative construction, legal costs, and other fees necessary to make core life-safety improvements. Organized by Safer DIY Spaces Oakland.

### For specific individuals (doc)

- <u>Trans Assistance Project</u> Trans Assistance Project's Oakland donation is going directly to fund funeral services and end of life costs for the trans women who lost their lives in the Oakland Ghost Ship Fire: Feral Pines, Cash Askew, and Em Bohlka
- As You Like It Family Memorial fund for families of Amanda Allen Kershaw, Chelsea Faith Dolan, and Johnny Igaz
- o Alex Frantz Ghassan: Alex F. Ghassan Family Support Fund fund to support Alex's family
- Alex Frantz Ghassan: #OaklandFire Fund for the Twin Daughters of Alex Ghassan fund for Alex Frantz Ghassan's funeral arrangements and the future education of his two 4-year-old twins Lucienne and Alexandria
- Alex Vega: Fund for Alex Vega's family fund to support Alex Vega's family
- Amanda Allen Kershaw: <u>Amanda (Allen) Kershaw family help</u> fund to support Amanda Allen Kershaw's family
- Ara Jo: <u>Fund for family of Ara Jo</u> fund for Ara Jo's family to help with funeral and memorial costs
- Barrett Clark: <u>Valentyn Edgewood Relief Fund</u> small fund to support Barrett's girlfriend Valentyn Edgewood

- o Billy Dixon: Billy Dixon Memorial Fund fund to support Billy's family
- Cash Askew: Support for Leisa, Sunny, and Chris fundraiser for the parents and family of Cash Askew
- Chase/Nex Iuguolo: <u>Chase "Nex Iuguolo" Memorial</u> fund for Chase/Nex Iuguolo's memorial and funeral costs, including cost of sending his ashes to Nicaragua
- Chelsea Faith Dolan: <u>David Last Support Fund</u> fund to support Chelsea Faith Dolan's partner, David Last
- Chelsea Faith Dolan: <u>Support Fund for Chelsea Dolan's Family</u> fund to support Chelsea Faith Dolan's mother, Colleen, and sister, Sabrina
- David Cline: <u>David Cline Burial/Family Support</u> fund to support David Cline's family and to help cover burial expenses
- Donna Kellogg: <u>Memorial Fund For Donna Kellogg</u> fund to support Donna Kellogg's loved ones
- Draven McGill: <u>Support for Family of Draven McGill</u> support Draven's family (e.g. funeral and living expenses)
- Em Bohlka: <u>Her Name Was Em</u> The family of Em B created a page to support agencies that are dedicated to helping trans folk with housing, advocacy, job placement, and the basic necessities of life
- Griffin Madden: <u>The Madden Family Support Page</u> support Griffin Madden's sister and partner as well as any close friend memorials or family members
- Jenny Morris: <u>Keep Jenny's Dream Alive Thru Art</u> fund to provide resources to specific organizations and individual artists to support several projects including (but not be limited to) the visual arts, music and photography
- Nick Gomez-Hall: proceeds from purchases of <u>Drainer</u> or <u>Glider Heaven</u> on Nightmom's Bandcamp <u>will go to family members</u> of Nick Gomez-Hall
- "Denalda" Nicole Siegrist: <u>Nicole Siegrist's Family Fund</u> fund to support Nicole Siegrist's mother
- Sara Hoda: <u>The Sara Hoda Artist Community Fund</u> all proceeds will go directly to support safe and sustainable live/work spaces for all
- Travis Hough: <u>Louisa LeMauviel Support Fund</u> fund to support Louisa LeMauviel, partner of Travis Hough
- Travis Hough: <u>Travis Hough Fund</u> fund to pay for burial expenses for Travis Hough and to support his family
- Vanessa Plotkin: <u>Vanessa Plotkin Memorial</u> fund to pay for final expenses and a memorial for Vanessa Plotkin
- Peaches: Peaches' Medical Fund Peaches was able to escape the Ghost Ship fire, but with severe burns to his lungs and esophagus due to smoke inhalation. He was recently pulled out of a healing medically induced coma, and he will recover. Peaches will be needing help with his hospital stay bills, rent and living expenses, physical therapy and after care, and helpful items as he makes his recovery (blender for liquid food, wheelchair and crutches, etc).

## Legal Support

- <u>Fulvio Cajina</u> is a BLM and civil rights litigation attorney in the Jack London area, offering services for anyone directly affected by the fire. He speaks English and Spanish.
- If in <u>Berkeley</u>, call the **Rent Board** ASAP at 510-981-RENT or contact **Jesse Townley**. PLEASE pass this on to ANY Berkeley dwellers!

- <u>East Bay Community Law Center</u> focuses on defending eviction lawsuits brought against low-income tenants
- <u>California Lawyers for the Arts</u> is offering free and low cost legal and mediation services for artists affected by the fire
- (From the Omni DIY Safety Working Group meeting) Sean McHenry
   (sean.d.mchenry@gmail.com) will be the legal conduit for any tenant and help find a
   lawyer/connect with any tenant with the greater organizing efforts. Notes here from the
   meeting are available <a href="here">here</a>
- (From the Bay Area Anti-Repression Committee solidarity statement) If your warehouse/DIY community spaces is experiencing repression, such as law enforcement harassment, random landlord or fire inspection etc, there are lawyers within the National Lawyers Guild who have stepped up to offer assistance. We've also heard that some people have been approached by law enforcement or the Bureau of Alcohol Firearms Tobacco and Explosives with questions about the fire at Ghostship. Please keep in mind that you have the right to remain silent! It's best practice to give no comment, ask the official for a business card, and inform them that your attorney will contact them.
- (From BG Anaraki) If you are a family members of our lost, ppl that were in the building
  (especially the injured), tenants of buildings fearing eviction or anyone who thinks they may
  face legal action against them (besides the douchebag ghost ship master tenant) -- email
  revolutionoakland@protonmail.com to connect with the lawyer John Burris (of the Rodney king
  and Oscar grant cases!). He is putting his firm's full force behind us! And they're very
  enthusiastic about it!

#### Misc. Resources

### • Information/toolkits/guides/services and tools offered/working groups

- <u>saferspac.es</u> collective local and national efforts to support underground DIY spaces (includes **building services**, **project assistance**, **and legal assistance**, some of which are free or low cost) (not Ghost Ship specific)
- <u>Fire Safety in the DIY Community</u> Eli's (Mile High Club) is collecting names of tradespeople who can sign-up for work on DIY venues
- How To Survive A Surprise Inspection Of Your Living/Working Space
- <u>Studio Protector</u> information toolkit to help artists be disaster ready and disaster resilient
- "HARM REDUCTION FOR DIY VENUES: DO IT YOURSELF // DO IT NOW" suggestions for free and low-cost harm reduction strategies that venues can implement immediately
- Oakland self-inspection for commercial properities PDF
- Tool Lending Libraries
  - The Oakland and Berkeley Public Libraries have free Tool Lending Libraries. Fines are forgiving. Resident cards are lax too. \*\*Be sure to check in about the residency card thing before you go in. Let this <a href="#FB">FB</a> group or vb@riseup.net know if you also just need to be matched with someone who has residency.\*\*
    - Oakland: <a href="http://oaklandlibrary.org/locations/tool-lending-library">http://oaklandlibrary.org/locations/tool-lending-library</a>
    - Berkeley: https://www.berkeleypubliclibrary.org/.../tool-lending-library

### • Local and national orgs that support DIY spaces and artists

- (e.g. by offering grants, fiscal sponsors, spaces, advice, etc.)
- o The Awesome Foundation (national) no-strings-attached microgrants (\$1000)

- <u>CERF+</u> (national) help artists prepare for and recover from emergencies (including offering grants + no-interest loans)
- <u>Community Arts Stabilization Trust</u> (SF) create stable physical spaces for arts and cultural organizations
- o <u>Fractured Atlas</u> (national) eliminate practical barriers to artistic expression
- Meow Wolf's DIY Fund annual fund to support DIY music and art spaces, with additional consulting resources available for legal, building code, and organizational structure improvements
- <u>Nation of Makers</u> (national) dedicated to helping makers by supporting maker organizations; through advocacy, the sharing of resources and the building of community within the maker movement and beyond (their Risk Management team is trying to help other spaces across the US with the impact of the tragedy to their local areas)
- NYC Loft Tenants (NYC) organized by loft tenants for loft tenants to educate newcomers, advocate for tenants' rights and improve the 2010 NYC Loft Law
- One Plus (national) facilitates a matching system to connect nonprofits with architecture and design firms that have made a pledge to pro bono service on active design project needs
- East Bay Community Foundation (East Bay) Community Resilience Fund will provide grants to community-based organizations working to mitigate the medium- and long-term impacts from this tragedy, including addressing the underlying issues of safety and affordability of spaces for the artist community in Oakland. EBCF is committed to ensuring that funds are available for long-term recovery after the initial crisis passes.
  - If you would like to direct a contribution to support victims and their families, please contact Ken Harootunian at <a href="mailto:kharootunian@eastbaycf.org">kharootunian@eastbaycf.org</a> or (510) 208-0844 for assistance.

### Petitions and Advocacy

- From the <u>Oakland Warehouse Coalition</u> (find updates on their campaign on the FB page):
  - Sign the petition to pass <u>The EMERGENCY TENANT PROTECTION ORDINANCE and GHOST SHIP REMEMBRANCE DAY RESOLUTION</u>
  - Write your council member
  - Show up to council meetings
- PDF on Libby's Artist Housing and Workspace Task Force. Includes guiding principles, strategies and the bay groups/orgs involved.
- Safer DIY Spaces Safety Working Group
  - Website
  - Facebook Group
  - Working groups
    - For general inquiries: <a href="mailto:DIYhelp@omnicommons.org">DIYhelp@omnicommons.org</a>
    - Volunteer Coordination: <u>DIYvolunteercoordination@omnicommons.org</u>
    - Advocacy and Policy: DIYpolicy@omnicommons.org
    - Legal Assistance: <u>DIYlegal@omnicommons.org</u>
    - Finance and Fundraising: <a href="mailto:DIYfinance@omnicommons.org">DIYfinance@omnicommons.org</a>
    - Construction and Improvements: <u>DIYconstruction@omnicommons.org</u>
    - Code Compliance and Pre-Inspections:
       <u>DIYcodecompliance@omnicommons.org</u>
    - Communications: <u>DIYcomms@omnicommons.org</u> (communications)

o City of Oakland Meeting Schedule

### • Cybersecurity

- A DIY Guide to Feminist Cybersecurity
- Speak Up & Stay Safe(r): A Guide to Protecting Yourself From Online Harassment.

#### Other

- Sparxo Inc Event ticketing to contribute 100% of service fees to artist fund: Know an organizer that throws events in Oakland? Use Sparxo to sell tickets and we will donate 100% of all service fees collected to an artist aggregation fund that can be given immediately and directly to any artist for (almost) anything they need for the next 6 months. If need be, we can extend this program to last through the year or two, or three. → Sign up link
  - Work with David at Omni Commons to setup an easy way for artist to collect the money/validate how the resources are allocated