

2022 Annual Report

## OUR MISSION

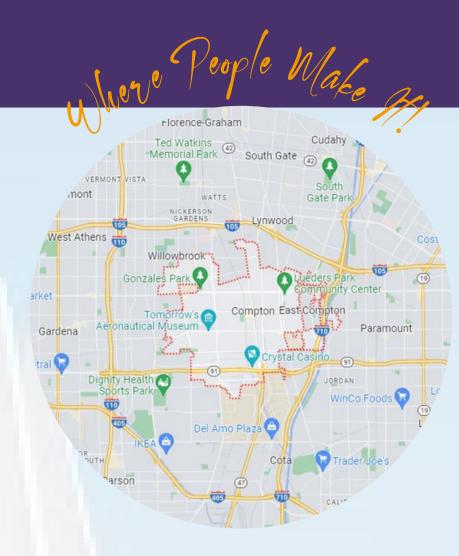
Our mission is to create a Makerspace in the greater Compton area, with equal access to tools, workshops, technology, and resources to inspire creativity, facilitate lifelong learning, and provide inclusive and equitable opportunities for all.

In 2022, The Makers Hub spent a lot of time in the Compton community providing tools for, participating in, and hosting events within the greater Compton area that focused on revitalization and beautification.

The long-term goal of The Makers Hub is to create replicable models of makerspace development that can be implemented in other communities, transforming them through the talents of the people who live there. The facilities would be unique to each community, shaped by the vision of the community and aimed to allow everyone to tap into their innate abilities as "makers".

While we've been active in providing tools for community benefit for certain projects, the community has been clear in their need for access to tools and equipment in order to empower them to address the issues they face with aging homes. Additionally, area residents are eager to get access to workshops to learn trades and build new businesses.





"Housing over 30 years of age often need some form of major rehabilitation."

- City of Compton, Housing Element Update

With the vast majority (95%) of homes in Compton built prior to 2000, most every housing structure in the city likely needs major rehabilitation. With over 20% of the population at, or below, the poverty line and the median household income of Compton residents at almost 30% less than the rest of LA County, area residents are left without the resources to address their needs.

With our community's feedback, The Makers Hub has elected to open the Compton Tool Library in 2023 as the first component to our Compton makerspace.

### **OUR 2022**

# "I am just overwhelmed with support. We can finally open up this daycare that is years in the making!"

Lulu and her mother always dreamed of opening a low-cost daycare for the community. Lulu started the process of establishing the facility out of her home to honor her late mother. In order to open, Lulu wanted to transform her backyard into a vibrant, welcoming, kid-friendly space. The Makers Hub put Lulu in touch with The Compton Initiative BLOC and we provided the tools needed to transform her backyard into a child's oasis.



# SUNNY COVE FENCE PROJECT





### **BY THE NUMBERS**



Over 250 Volunteers Engaged



Over 6,000 Hours of Service



450+ Tool Inventory Additions

# REVENUE Individual **Contributions** \$17,743.81 **Sponsorships** \$45,000 Grants \$67,000 **In-Kind Materials Donations** \$68.900 **VOLUNTEER HOURS EXPENSES** Administrative 17.8% **Compton Tool Library** 82.2%

# FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

2022 was our first full year of operation and we honestly were not sure what to expect. We knew we were passionate about our mission, and hoped that it would inspire others, but we did not expect to have such an incredible outpouring of support as a brand new organization!

The sheer amount of volunteers that dedicated their time to promoting the organization within the community was jaw-dropping. We were stunned with the level of aid that so many sponsors provided. To say that we were humbled is an understatement.

Looking ahead, we're planning for grants and sponsorships to become larger income streams. With this increased revenue, we will improve our services by hiring staff, purchasing high-demand tools, and opening the doors of the Compton Tool Library to the residents of the greater Compton area.



# BREAKING NEWS

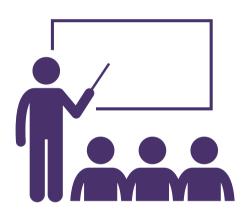
### LOOKING AHEAD

In December of 2022, we finalized our lease agreement for 2125 **W. Compton Blvd** to officially open the Compton Tool Library in the Summer of 2023!

### THE COMPTON TOOL LIBRARY

- Fundraise and gather tool donations to expand our inventory;
- Complete tenant improvements with the help of Swinerton Builders;
- Expand our community partnerships;
- Hire staff members:
- Open memberships to the public!





#### CLASSES & CAFES

- Establish DIY Workshops for home maintenance, repairs, and renovations;
- Host Community Repair Cafes, encouraging area residents to become part of the circular economy;
- Create a "mini-makerspace" to support small businesses and encourage new business ventures;
- Continue expanding class offerings based on community feedback.

#### THE BIGGER PICTURE

- Increase Revenue Streams Membership Expansion, Capital Campaigns, Grants, Events, Sponsorships;
- Engage more deeply with our community;
- Enhance services offered by The Compton Tool Library;
- Become a central fixture within the community;
- Plan and develop the Compton Makers Hub.





"If you can dream it, you can achieve it!"

**Terri Alex** 

Co-Founder of Amantha Avenue Block Club



Oscar is an architectural designer that started volunteering his professional services to help make a positive impact on others. Originally from Paraguay, he had always dreamed of moving to the US and 16 years ago he made that a reality. Oscar put together all of the AutoCAD drawings for the Compton Tool Library to help turn our vision into a reality.

### WHO WE ARE

In 2022, The Makers Hub was an all volunteer-run organization lead by Adrianne Ferree, our passionate founder and Executive Director.

What does it mean to be volunteer-run? It means that every email, every post on social media, every meeting, and every project is accomplished in somebody's free time. The dedication to this work is because we love our community and are passionate about the people in it!

There are not enough words to express the gratitude we feel for everyone who deserves it. All we can say is that we would not have been able to start this journey without you and the continued success of The Makers Hub is thanks to you!













### FROM OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Makers Hub is dedicated to the communities we serve and the amazing people within them. Our promise to you is to always listen and to let our services be guided by your voices as we continue to grow. Thank you for coming on this journey with us!

Adrianne Ferree Aaron Voorhees Noreida Carmona Tracie Brown Costicov-McCombe Daniel Camin



What can we say that could possibly convey our gratitude and sincere appreciation for all that Swinerton Builders has done for the community and us? Swinerton was already working within Compton through renovations at the Compton High School but sought The Makers Hub out to find ways to be more involved in the community.

They provided temporary fencing for the Sunny Cove fence repair and replacement to ensure residents had privacy while the project was underway, designed and routered the fence posts, and came out in force to Crossroads United Methodist Church to help build desks and a barn door for their new media center! When we mentioned the need for some specific (and costly) tools, they were the first to jump in to donate them.

We wanted to recognize the contributions that Swinerton has made, not just because they're supportive of our organization but because they're truly supportive of the community.

From the bottom of our hearts - our sincerest thank-you to everyone at Swinerton Builders who continues to go above and beyond for this community!





We could just list our sponsors but that doesn't tell you the impact they really have on our organization and in the community.

Thanks to California Community Foundation, we've been provided with \$50,000 to jumpstart the Compton Tool Library. Southern California Development Forum chose The Makers Hub as their 2022 honoree, providing \$40,000 in funding for our overall operations. The Robert & Toni Bader Charitable Foundation has given us \$10,000 to add to our Compton Tool Library fund.

The **Clif Family Foundation** was an early supporter, giving us \$5,000 for the Compton Tool Library and with their donation, we were able to secure our lease on our Compton facility location!

Thanks to **The Sewing Machine Project**'s donation of 3 machines, we're planning on hosting two repair cafes in 2023! When we needed tool donations, **Western Allied**, **Morley Builders**, **Stanley Black & Decker**, **EntreNous**, and **Milwaukee Tools** said, "okay, give us a list!"

When we weren't sure if we could afford expansions to our software needs, **Digital Lift** gave us...*a lift*! **The Awesome Foundation's** \$1,000 donation was nothing short of awesome. Last, but certainly not least, **4imprint** provided all of our volunteers with t-shirts to represent The Makers Hub while in the community.





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