

Clausen House Report 2013

Clausen House is a charitable 501(c)(3) institution founded in 1967 that provides housing, wellness programs, and advocacy for developmentally disabled adults in Oakland and the East Bay. Our clients are adults challenged by autism, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, and other intellectually disabling conditions. This year we celebrate 47 years of direct support to over 203 individuals with developmental disabilities and indirect support to about 625 family members. We deliver a life-enhancing array of services enabling our clients to live, work, socialize, and thrive to their fullest potential. Our dedicated staff of over 60 members delivers housing, independent and supported living, supported employment, adult education, and social recreation services.

2013 has been an exciting year for Clausen House with the following highlights:

- Received two prestigious awards from the Developmental Disabilities Council of Alameda County at their 24th annual awards dinner:
 - *Life Time Achievement Award* to staff member Barbara Lang
 - *Dana Sambor Volunteerism Award* to board member Deborah F. Schweizer
- Launched our first annual “Walk with Clausen House” to engage the community, educate the public about developmental disabilities, and raise critically needed funds; the Walk will take place on Saturday on October 12, 2013 at the Bandstand at Lake Merritt
- Initiated the 2013 Capital Campaign with a goal of raising \$325,000 needed to address urgent repairs of four residential buildings plus updating key agency infrastructure that ultimately impacts the safety and well-being of our clients
- Received a \$150,000 award for capital renovations from an anonymous local foundation
- Initiated a branding project encompassing our logo, website, printed materials and other visual elements to increase the effectiveness of our agency's communications
- Installed a new roof with a 30-year warranty, including plywood foundation, insulation, and gutters for our residential/office building at 88 Vernon Street