

## **THE HUNTERS POINT FAMILY AWARDED OAK TREE PROJECT SERVICE GRANT**

**San Francisco, CA, October 4, 2005:** The Hunters Point Family has been awarded the first Oak Tree Project San Francisco Service Grant. The 8-year old non-profit organization uses a family-based model to offer productive and healthy activities for youth ages 10-21. Each year, their three collaborating programs – GIRLS 2000, Bayview Safe Haven, and Peacekeepers – give over 200 of San Francisco’s children who are at the highest level of need and risk an opportunity to thrive in their own community. Participants stay in the Hunters Point Family programs an average of five years.

When informed of the award, Founder and Development Director Lena Miller said she couldn’t wait to get to work with the Oak Tree Project team. “We are very excited to receive this grant!” adds Executive Director, Takai Tyler. The organization will receive a comprehensive assessment in the areas of Leadership, Strategic Planning, Financial Management, Community and Constituency Focus, Analysis and Knowledge Management, Human Resource Management, Process Management and Organizational Results, and professional assistance to help them achieve greater mission impact.

The Oak Tree Project, a program sponsored by the Institute of Management Consultants Northern California Chapter, contacted almost 400 local non-profits and interviewed several before selecting The Hunters Point Family. “We’ve been so inspired by all of the people we met during this selection process it was difficult to pick just one,” said Certified Management Consultant Deborah Hornberger, President of Hornberger & Associates and spokesperson for the Oak Tree Project San Francisco.

Tom Bush, Cathy Hammer, Deborah Hornberger, and Frank Nettleton launched The Oak Tree Project in San Francisco to bring their over 75 years of consulting and business experience to non-profit organizations seeking to improve their effectiveness and results. Active members of the Institute of Management Consultants USA (<http://www.imcusa.org>) who have served on non-profit boards and consulted to non-profits as well as corporate and government clients, the consulting team will donate their services through The Oak Tree Project to The Hunters Point Family. For more information about The Oak Tree Project, visit <http://www.oaktreeproject.org> or contact 415-675-5811. Future Service Grant application deadlines for the Greater Bay Area will be posted on the website.