2015 Double Down for Shanti to Benefit Our Breast Cancer Services — Get Your Tickets Today!

Please save the date and buy your tickets for our June 6th, 2015 benefit event for Shanti’s Margot Murphy Breast Cancer Program. We will return to San Francisco’s beautiful City Club where we anticipate a crowd of 200. Guests will be entertained by casino-style gaming, great food, beverages, and a silent auction. Corporate and Individual sponsorships are still available at www.shanti.org.

Every year, Shanti’s Margot Murphy Breast Cancer Program provides critically needed services to over 400 of San Francisco’s most vulnerable residents diagnosed with breast cancer. Started in 2001, the program provides services to underserved women, the majority of whom are women of color who live on limited or restricted incomes.

For information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact Shannon Bourne at sbourne@shanti.org or 415-674-4713.

Compassion is Universal — Shanti’s 40th Anniversary Benefit Raises Over $500,000

On Saturday, October 18th, 2014, Shanti celebrated our 40th Anniversary with Compassion is Universal, held at the iconic Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco. The annual dinner was the biggest event in our history with over 600 of Shanti’s friends in attendance. The evening raised over half a million dollars for Shanti’s programs for people struggling with HIV or cancer. The inspiring program at the dinner featured Shanti’s recognition of Reverend Cecil Williams and Janice Mirikitani of GLIDE Memorial Church. Shanti’s Board Chair, Frank Petkovich, fondly remembered our dear friend Stu Smith, and Kaushik Roy, our Executive Director, gave a moving tribute to Shanti Founder, Dr. Charles Garfield.

Thank you, San Francisco, for your ongoing love and support for our mission and clients! More pictures on page 4.
We appreciate Supervisor Katy Tang, Assessor-Recorder Carmen Chu, Board of Equalization Member Fiona Ma, and North East Medical Services (NEMS) for including Shanti in their celebration of International Women’s Day. The celebration included free health screenings and information on women’s health. We are excited to continue working together to support more vulnerable women in our community as they face the daunting challenges of cancer.

Shanti’s 40th Anniversary is certainly one we can label as a year of gratitude and hope. Indeed, these are two of Shanti’s values shared among our volunteers, staff, board, and most importantly, our clients.

The great outpouring of support from our community, both long-time supporters and those who have newly discovered Shanti, made for one of Shanti’s most successful years. We move into our 41st year with a very healthy organization, poised to grow even stronger and serve more of San Francisco’s most vulnerable. For the first time in many years, we have expanded our programs, adding support for those who suffer from Hepatitis C, as well as serving women diagnosed with gynecological cancers. We have added the capacity to serve more clients now than in many years past, thanks to the generosity of our community, and the hard work of our staff, volunteers, and board. For this, we are all very thankful.

We have greater resources to continue the hope that Shanti brings to San Francisco, serving as the place that makes a difference between zero and one in the lives of so many for years to come. We know that an organization such as Shanti can only thrive with continued, growing community support, and that Shanti’s name and mission remain an integral part of San Francisco’s loving and giving “persona.”

We are so fortunate to have grown our board to 18 in the past years, thanks to the generosity of our community, and the hard work of our staff, volunteers, and board. For this, we are all very thankful.

Our clients—fueled by our overwhelming gratitude and hope.
**Mayor Ed Lee Visits Shanti**

Mayor Edwin M. Lee and Carmen Chu, Assessor-Recorder, visited Shanti and our sister organizations, Project Open Hand and Asian & Pacific Islander Wellness Center, on March 3rd to learn about the meaningful services we collectively provide to San Francisco’s most vulnerable communities. Mayor Lee and Assessor-Recorder Chu, thank you for your time and for your continued support!

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**Shanti’s Executive Director, Kaushik Roy, educating Mayor Ed Lee on Shanti’s work within the women’s cancer community.**

**Mayor Ed Lee and Shanti’s Executive Director, Kaushik Roy, looking at a map pinpointing the number of Avon Shanti clients through our direct service programs in the respective San Francisco neighborhoods.**

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**Founder spotlight**

“Metastatic breast cancer was identified as an undersupported area in the 2013 Collaborative Summit on Breast Cancer convened by Avon,” says Ricci. “The Avon Foundation remains committed to ending disparities in breast cancer and being certain that women can access high-quality screening, treatment, and support services.

“Access to the entire spectrum [of assistance]—including complementary and integrative medicine—is important for the best possible outcomes,” says Ricci. Our program’s prioritization of meeting the needs of underserved women, especially immigrants with limited English skills, aligns directly with the Avon Foundation’s mission.

“I like to tell people ‘I have the best job in the world’ because I get to interact with our beneficiaries like Shanti,” says Ricci. Through the work of Avon Foundation partners like Shanti, San Francisco General Hospital, Project Open Hand, and others, “I know I helped improve the life of a woman today...many women! I look forward to 2015 and beyond.”

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**Mayor Ed Lee and Carmen Chu, Assessor-Recorder, visiting with Shanti’s Margot Murphy Breast Cancer Program clients and staff.**
Shanti’s Fortieth Anniversary Dinner
Saturday, the Eighteenth of October, 2014
The Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco

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To learn more about our board members go to www.shanti.org/pages/shanti-staff-and-board.html