

## Mural Design Information Form

LEAD ARTIST

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE  ZIP CODE

EMAIL  PHONE

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PROJECT COORDINATOR

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SPONSORING ORGANIZATION

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CITY

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FUNDING SOURCES

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PROPOSED SITE (address, cross street )

DISTRICT

MURAL TITLE	Together We Grow - Ramsell Street Tile Steps
DIMENSIONS	5.5 ft x 20 Ft
ESTIMATED SCHEDULE (start and completion dates)	February 2021 - June 2021 (Depends on weather conditions)
1. Proposal (describe proposed design, site and theme. Attach a separate document if needed).	See attachment.
2. Materials and processes to be used for wall preparation, mural creation and anti-graffiti treatment.	See attachment.
3. List individuals and groups involved in the mural design, preparation and implementation.	See attachment.

**Attach the following documents to this form:**

1. Lead artist's resume/qualifications and examples of previous work
2. Three (3) letters of community support
3. Letter or resolution approving proposal from city department **or**;
4. Letter of approval from private property owner along with Property Owner Authorization Form
5. Signed Artist Waiver of Property Rights for artwork placed upon city property **or**;
6. Signed Artist Waiver of Proprietary Rights financed in whole or in part by city funds for artwork placed upon private property
7. Maintenance Plan (including parties responsible for maintenance)
8. Color image of design
9. One image of the proposed site and indicate mural dimensions

## **Mural Design Information Form -- Narrative**

### **1. Proposal (describe proposed design, site and theme. Attach a separate document if needed).**

The Sisterhood Gardens Steering Committee plans to create a collaborative public arts installation on the Ramsell Street Stairs. The Ramsell Street Stairs located next to Sisterhood Gardens serves as an important access point for people to connect to Brotherhood Way which is used as a recreation trail and Randolph Street, where many public, commercial and faith institutions such as the Oceanview Library, the I.T. Bookman Center, the M-Train Line is located. Our goal is to enhance the pedestrian experience by making a more attractive passage with art and landscaping that celebrates the natural history and diverse demographic in the Oceanview, Merced and Ingleside neighborhood. We will partner with local mosaic artist and teacher Kim Jensen. We will also collaborate with local residents, garden members and students from surrounding schools to complete this project.

The mosaic design on the 24 steps will encompass themes that highlight the natural history and habitat of Brotherhood Way with depictions of different CA native species such as Matilija Poppy, CA Poppy, the CA Pipevine Swallowtail Butterfly, and Anise Swallowtail Butterfly. The CA Pipevine plant is one of the few native plants historically found on Brotherhood Way and still grows here today! The artwork also features other pollinators such as honey bees. We also featured dahlia flowers which is an official flower of San Francisco and has origins from Mexico. The artwork will celebrate and tell a story about the cultural diversity of the Oceanview, Merced and Ingleside Neighborhood. The hands and heart represent our role as responsible stewards of the land and rainbow colors in the background represent intersectionality and inclusion.

### **2. Materials and processes to be used for wall preparation, mural creation and anti-graffiti treatment.**

The Ramsell Street stairs were built in 2016 and are in good condition. The Ramsell Street Stairs has 24 steps, each measuring eight feet wide (8') and five and half feet high (5.5').

Each riser will be faced in ceramic tile mosaic at least ½ inch thick. No repairs are needed however, we will power wash the stairs to remove debris when we are ready to install the

mosaic. The artist Kim Jensen will need at least 2 months to prefabricate the steps in her studio.

Kim typically uses vitreous glass tile for the stairs and some elements would be made of ceramic like the Dahlia petals, Poppy leaves and the sunflower petals for example. It will take at least 3 separate volunteer days to complete the mosaic stairway.

No anti-graffiti treatment is needed as it is fairly easy to scrub off. However, we will apply a tile sealant to the grout.

### **3. List individuals and groups involved in the mural design, preparation and implementation.**

Chinese Progressive Association: provides project management and financial oversight

- CPA coordinated events to gather community member feedback on the design process and held a public voting on the final design.
- CPA will also organize community members and volunteers to prepare and implement the project, with supervision and guidance from artist Kim Jensen.

Sisterhood Garden Members (45 members)

Sisterhood Gardens Steering Committee

- Timothy Wong
- Alex Madrid
- Jamie Chan
- Glenn Rogers
- Andie Rice
- March Christensen
- Nataliya Tovchigrechko
- Laura Padilla
- Mayumi Fujio
- Residents of 115 Ramsell Street / 118 Arch Street were notified

Other orgs:

- Merced Extension Triangle Neighborhood Association (METNA)
- IT Bookman Center
- OMI Community Collaborative
- Ocean View Library

# Kimberly Ann Sunhee Jensen

## Mosaicist and Educator

### Honors and Awards

2017 NEN award "Waterfall" Kenny Alley  
2017 Community Art Project of the Year, Parks Alliance  
Annual Love your Park  
2015 Fellow of Artist Teacher Fellowship

### Commissions

2020 Cayuga Park Staircase, San Francisco CA  
2017 Kenny Alley Entrance Sign, San Francisco CA  
2016 Kenny Alley "Waterfall" Mosaic, San Francisco CA  
2016 MOSAIC Mosaic pillars, Bel Aire Academy, Tiburon CA  
2015 City Arts and Technology Staircase Mosaic, SF CA

### Teaching Experience

#### Art Teacher

2007-2020 City Arts and Technology High School

2017-18 Guest Speaker at SFSU for single subject art candidates

### Solo Exhibitions

2018-2020 ArtSpan Open Studios, San Francisco CA  
2017 Ritual Coffee Valencia Street San Francisco CA  
2010 Philz Coffee 18th street San Francisco CA  
2009 Keter Salon Berkeley CA

### Group Exhibitions

2018-19 ArtSpan Art Launch Party, San Francisco CA  
2017 Museum of Children's Art , Oakland CA  
2014 Grove Street Collective Holiday Sale San Francisco, CA  
2013-14 Art Explosion Open Studios, San Francisco CA  
2007 Gallerie 25: San Francisco CA  
2006 La Revolution: Riot Girls Show Underground SF

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### Education

#### The Mosaic Art School

Ravenna Italy

*2 Week Workshop- 2015*

#### San Francisco State University

Single Subject Credential Program

June 2006

Bachelor of Art, Emphasis in Sculpture

June 2005

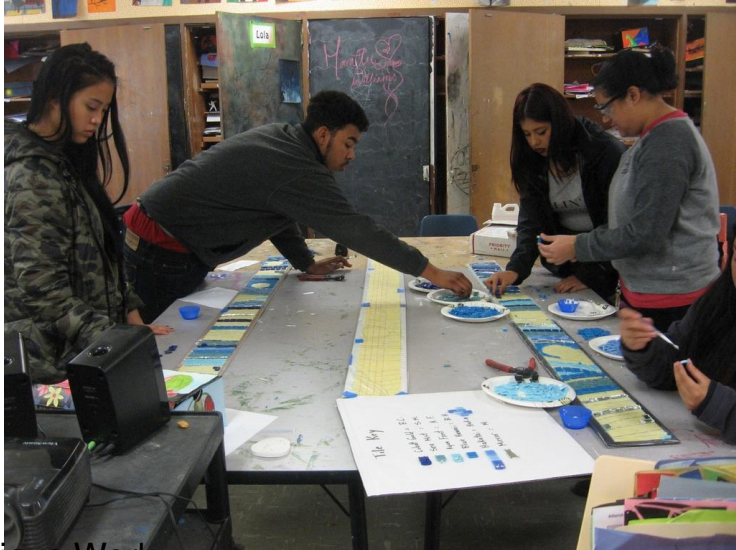
# Kenny Alley



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Image 1





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Image 2





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Image 3



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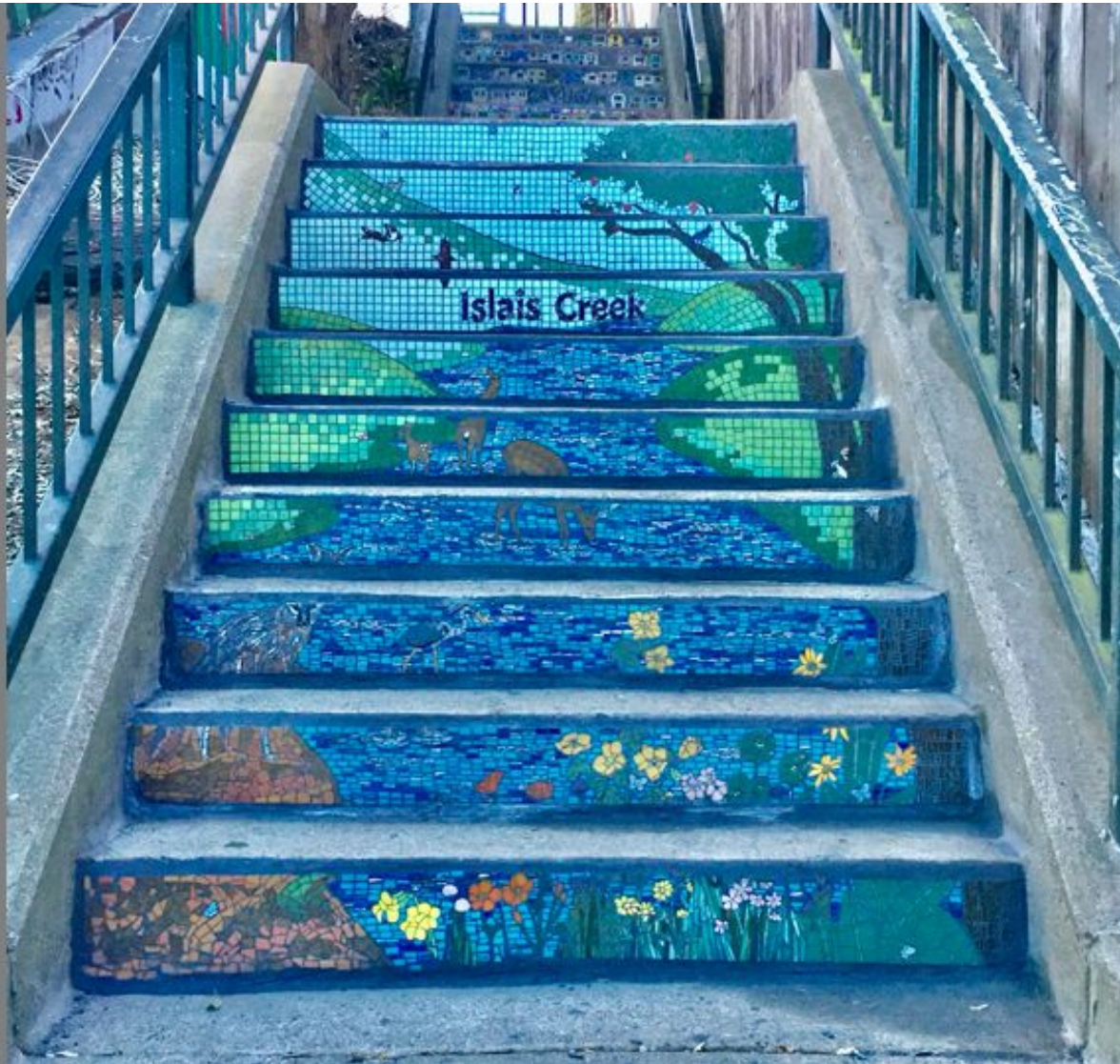
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# Fog City Gardener

Landscape, Education & Urban Farm  
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www.FOGCITYGARDENER.com

11/18/20

To: Ms. Lanita Henriquez, Director  
Community Challenge Grant Program  
One Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 362  
San Francisco, CA 94102

To Community Challenge Grant Committee,

I am writing in support of the Community Action Grant submitted November 20th 2020 for Sisterhood Gardens on Brotherhood Way. Our community has benefitted from past support and we know that further funding will continue to build our capacity to make this food security and multi-use community green space a sustainable site for all. The garden continues to grow in popularity and attract new residents of San Francisco to our work and education days. Sisterhood, being one of the largest community green sites in our region of San Francisco does have room to improve both the safety and ecological contributions to the local environment. Our user population continues to grow a diverse intersectional following which shows interest in learning how to be better stewards of our land and build community.

Some highlights of the requested funding include....

**Improvements for Green Space** – The addition of a small communal flower farm and insectary field allowed for Sisterhood to grow organically raised flowers for both our local pollinators and to give away flowers to the more house bound neighbors in the OMI. Next year we plan to coordinate with IT Bookman Center and deliver a flower CSA to our elderly neighbors during food pantry days, many of whom are Black and Asian residents. The funds requested will include the installation of a greenhouse, expansion of gopher proofed, irrigated farm rows and increased production of vegetable and flower seedlings to give away and grow onsite.

**Stewardship Program** – In order to continue to build awareness about Sisterhood Gardens, educate the community about sustainable gardening and encourage healthy food practices we would like to hold a series of informational workshop days onsite and online. There will also be a series of free activities to educate children about healthy eating and ecological conservancy in the city. Attendees will go home with free vegetable plants, seeds and produce donated from local farms. Topics of the interest to our community include: Growing for Pollinators, Greenhouse culture, grow your own food, growing food in containers and indoors and growing culturally relevant food in the garden (focus on Asian and Black American cuisine)

**Public Art Installation** – Sisterhood garden has done a great job of creating the infrastructure for a working community garden and greenspace. We have met the basic needs of our gardeners and neighbors. But the addition of an art piece will beautify and communicate our mission and shared goals as a garden with the public. The art work will address environmental conservation, the plight of our declining pollinators and food justice. It will tell the story of the garden and the multiracial people who work the land there.

It is with great pleasure that I support the application for the Community Action Grant award at Sisterhood Gardens. This funding would make it possible for us to continue to serve the OMI community as an example of a sustainable greenspace for our residents and attendees from neighboring districts in San Francisco. Our garden is a transformative space in which we address social inequity, climate action and celebrate our diverse cultural heritages. Thank you for your consideration,

Jamie M. Chan, Blas Herrera and Family  
OMI resident and Sisterhood Gardens Steering Committee Members



Timothy Wong  
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Dear San Francisco Arts Commission,

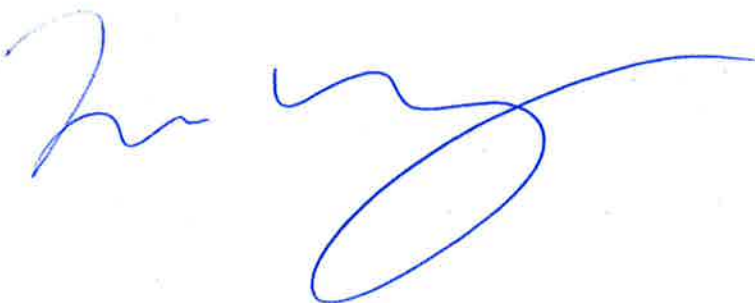
My name is Timothy Wong and I am an Oceanview, Merced and Ingleside (OMI) resident and a Sisterhood Gardens Steering Committee Member. I am writing to request the SF Arts Commission's full support for the proposal to install public art on the Ramsell Street Stairs. The public art will take the form of a mosaic tiled steps and it will be located next to Sisterhood Gardens facing Brotherhood Way which is a major foot and car traffic corridor.

I believe that a mosaic tiled step installation will bring more visibility and beautify the OMI neighborhood and Brotherhood Way. Brotherhood Way is truly a multi-use corridor and many people use it daily for recreation when they visit the dog park, the small Head Street playground or Sisterhood Gardens. The art piece will communicate our role as stewards to restore California native species in this former riparian zone. For example, in the design we feature the California Pipevine plant which is an endemic species to California that is found on Brotherhood Way.

In the past few months, we have been involved in an inspiring process of gathering community input and sharpening the conceptual design with our artist partner Kim Jensen. We held many meetings and administered 2 online surveys to gather feedback and votes on the final design. In total, we involved over 60 people including local librarians, other neighborhood groups, OMI residents, and our garden members.

It would mean so much to have the full support from the SF Arts Commission.  
Thank you for your time and consideration.

Timothy Wong

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Timothy Wong', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

# Alder Landscape Architecture

November 11, 2020

## Glenn Rogers, RLA

Landscape Architect

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## Community Challenge Grant

Lanita Henriquez

City Hall, One Drive Carlton B Goodettl Place

Room 362

San Francisco, CA 94102

Hello,

I am writing a letter of support for **Sisterhood Gardens**. This is the first neighborhood garden I have participated in but I can hardly imagine a better garden and investment into a neighborhood or community. To start, **Sisterhood Gardens** has countless California native plants around the perimeter of the garden providing habitat for wildlife in the City where native plants are scarce. Also, a Pollinator Garden is present here with an interest in providing bees a place of repast. Fruit trees are present also for the community to enjoy when they get big enough to provide abundant fruit in a neighborhood that could be classified as a food desert..

**Sisterhood Garden** provides social cohesion in a scale I have never seen before. For example, on Build Days, the elderly Chinese community is present in great numbers providing care to the garden in their own unique way. Before COVID-19 they would come to the garden and practice Tai Chi. On Easter, children are present to find and hunt for Easter eggs. In looking at the composition of the volunteers, the mix of people is so diverse. , Chinese, Latin and Caucasians volunteers are all present in great numbers and all willing to get their “hands dirty” and help with the improvement of the garden. Also ,we have a handicap individual on our Steering Committee that makes suggestions and keeps us aware of their needs of access in the garden.

In short, the garden provides social cohesion on a scale I have never seen before. Even community members from different districts meet here and discuss local political action. For example, two districts combined their resources and went down to City Hall to protest a development that was excessive in size, scope and would remove valuable parking present. Of course, we won the day and the owner and architect needed to scale down their overly ambitious project.

For these reason, I highly recommend the **Sisterhood Garden** for grant money. I think this would be money well spent in this community which is often missed when it comes to public transportation and other community services.

Thank you,

Glenn Rogers, RLA

Landscape Architect

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RE: Letter of Support for Sisterhood Gardens Project

Dear Ms. Henriquez:

On behalf of San Francisco Public Works, I wish to express our support for the Sisterhood Gardens Committee's application to the 2020 Community Challenge Grant to acquire funding for a new phase of improvements at Sisterhood Gardens. Sisterhood Gardens is a 'Street Park' on a Public Works' parcel at Arch Street and Brotherhood Way.

Since 2016, the Sisterhood Gardens Committee has engaged in community organizing efforts in the Excelsior/OMI neighborhoods. They have been supported by their fiscal sponsor, the Chinese Progressive Association. The Committee has established infrastructure for community governance and manages ongoing improvement of the site through monthly volunteer build days and engaged membership of gardeners from the community. In recent years, the Committee along with volunteers constructed more planter beds allowing for a growing membership of over 46 families and individuals. Public Works is supportive of their current proposal to expand their communal plant areas, reinforce safety features of the garden, and develop a community-driven public art project.

The inaugural public arts project is a mosaic tiled steps on the Ramsell Street stairway which is located right next to Sisterhood Gardens and is also under ownership of Public Works. They plan to create a design for the 24 steps that will feature the natural history and habitat of Brotherhood Way and is reflective of the diverse community in the Oceanview, Merced and Ingleside neighborhood. They plan to partner with local artist Kim Jensen, an experienced mosaic art teacher who completed similar projects at Kenny Alley and Cayuga Park in the Excelsior neighborhood.

The Sisterhood Gardens Committee members have demonstrated that they are organized, strongly committed to thoughtfully steward the garden, provide a critical space to strengthen cross-cultural community building, and uplift the diverse stories and experiences of community members.

On behalf of San Francisco Public Works, I fully endorse this application to the Community Challenge Grant program. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or my staff, Ramses Alvarez, at [ramses.alvarez@sfdpw.org](mailto:ramses.alvarez@sfdpw.org) or 415-641-2349.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carla Short".

Carla Short

Acting Deputy Director for Operations

## Waiver of Proprietary Rights

### for Artwork Placed Upon CITY PROPERTY under VARA and CAPA

Artist has designed a work of visual art. In consideration of the City's approval of the Artist design of visual art.

DESCRIPTION: [type, mural, medium]:

Mosaic Stairway

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Together We Grow

TITLE, DATE: Ramsell Street Tile Steps, 07/28/2021

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DIMENSIONS: 5.5 ft x 20 Ft

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ADDRESS/LOCATION: Ramsell Street Stairs (Brotherhood Way)  
Coordinates: 37.712841, -122.466296

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**Artist bears the sole responsibility for providing the City with any changes to the Artist's Address for Notice.** Notice of changes must be mailed to the Arts Commission, 401 Van Ness Avenue, Suite 325, San Francisco, CA 94102 **AND to the City Agency with jurisdiction over the property.**

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ARTIST

ARTIST understands the effect of this waiver and hereby acknowledges that ARTIST is surrendering the rights described herein with respect to the Work.

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DATE: 7 / 26 / 2021

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## Sisterhood Gardens - Ramsell Stairs Mosaic Tile Steps Project

### 10 - Year Maintenance Plan



Timeline	Action Needed	Frequency	Responsible Party
<b>January 2022</b>	Equipment and Asset Inventory <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Documentation of the condition of the mosaic tile steps after installation in written form and visually through detailed photos of each riser.</li> </ul>	One Time	Tiffany Ng, Sisterhood Gardens Coordinator
<b>2022 - 2032</b>	Preventive Evaluation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Documentation of current condition in written form and visually through detailed photos. This includes any chips and cracks on each riser. We will pay particular attention to the grouting.</li> </ul>	Annually	Tiffany Ng, Sisterhood Gardens Coordinator
	Volunteer Build Days <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● We host monthly Volunteer Build Day events at Sisterhood Gardens</li> </ul>	Monthly (contingent on weather)	Sisterhood Gardens Steering Committee

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Volunteers help collect litter and debris (branches, twigs, etc.) inside and outside the boundaries of Sisterhood Gardens. Now we will focus litter removal especially along both sides of the Ramsell stairs where there is plant landscaping</li> <li>Volunteers will regularly sweep and remove debris on the tile stairs to keep the mosaic in best condition.</li> <li>Depending on the condition of the stairs (i.e. presence of graffiti), volunteers will wash the steps.</li> <li>We will pull weeds and apply mulch at least 1-2 times per year and check drip irrigation to make sure the timers are fully functioning on a monthly basis</li> </ul>	conditions)	
	<p>Sisterhood Gardens Steering Committee Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Steering Committee meets regularly to assess needs around maintenance, construction projects and plot membership. We will assign a Steering Committee member to regularly provide updates on the conditions of the tile stairs so we can be responsive to damage and repair needs.</li> </ul>	Every other month	Sisterhood Gardens Steering Committee
	<p>Planting Days</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We host a new planting event at least 1-2 times a year for our CA native and pollinator restoration areas. The plant landscaping along the Ramsell Stairs will be included in our plans for replacement planting.</li> </ul>	Annually	Sisterhood Gardens Steering Committee
	<p>Lead Fundraising Campaigns for Mosaic Restoration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Steering Committee will organize fundraisers especially during the 5th and 10 year to pay for costs associated with restoration and repair of the tile stairs</li> </ul>	5th Year & 10th Year	Sisterhood Gardens Steering Committee

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will canvass and send mail to notify residents of Ramsell Street about these fundraising campaigns</li> </ul>		
	<p>Partnerships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the past, we partnered with SF Public Works during Community Clean Team Days in District 11 to clean up Brotherhood Way. We want to continue this partnership post-pandemic.</li> <li>We will also continue to partner with volunteers from the Merced Extension Triangle Neighborhood Association (METNA) to clean up Brotherhood Way.</li> </ul>	Annually	Tiffany Ng, Sisterhood Gardens Coordinator
	<p>Mosaic Restoration on the 5th Year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will plan a Mosaic Restoration appointment on the 5th Year with the artist Kim Jensen or another mosaic artist (if the original artist is not available).</li> <li>More serious damage (impact damage, missing tesserae or cracks appearing) should be repaired immediately as damaged areas can easily grow.</li> </ul>	As Needed, once every 5 years  Year 2027	Commission Artist Kim Jensen
	<p>Mosaic Restoration on the 10th Year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will plan a Mosaic Restoration appointment on the 10th year with the artist Kim Jensen or another mosaic artist (if the original artist is not available).</li> <li>The plan is to do a thorough deep clean and regrout</li> </ul>	As Needed, once every 10 years  Year 2032	Commission Artist Kim Jensen



Proposed  
Mural Design





## Sisterhood Gardens - Ramsell Street Mosaic Tile Steps Project

### Site Diagrams of the Proposed Artwork



The Ramsell Street Stairs has 24 steps, each measuring eight feet wide (8') and five and half feet high (5.5'). Each riser will be faced in ceramic tile mosaic at least ½ inch thick. The stairs which were built in 2016 are in good condition. The Sisterhood Gardens Steering Committee will collaborate with local residents, garden members and students from surrounding schools to complete this project.