



# Between Friends

## Maitri Quarterly Newsletter

January - 2016



*MAITRI*  
*Invites you to*  
*a star-studded*  
*25th Anniversary Gala!*

Put on your Turban Groove and rock,  
hop and balle balle the night away  
with San Francisco's  
best loved (vi)desi band Black Mahal

Saturday, Feb. 27th 5:30 p.m. Palo Alto  
Dress Code: Sparkling!

In 1991, a small Maitri team with a single phone line on a kitchen counter, started to help South Asian survivors of domestic violence. Twenty five years later, we have evolved into a robust agency, taking part in groundbreaking policy changes, driving innovative programs, and initiating impactful partnerships that help prevent violence. It is thanks to you, our community, supporters, volunteers, board and staff, that we can say with certainty that social change is not just possible, but is a reality and is happening.

Let us celebrate Maitri's accomplishments and your bond with the agency at our 25th Anniversary Gala.

Rock, hop and balle balle with San Francisco's best loved (vi)deshi band Black Mahal on Saturday, February 27 @ 5:30 p.m. at Crowne Plaza, Palo Alto.

Visit our online [Silent Auction](#) to get a glimpse of extraordinary collections of food, wine, jewelry, art, life experiences, and much more.

Buy Tickets / Tables [HERE](#).

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## Quarterly Program Updates

### **Client Advocacy:**

The Maitri Helpline answered a total of 926 calls of which 106 calls were crisis calls and our Legal Advocacy Program helped 59 new clients and attended 226 advocacy sessions.

Throughout October, Maitri has participated in civic engagement and community education related activities to educate our community about immigration barriers, safety planning and making policy advocacy a priority.

Read our [Blog](#) on (a) 5 Immigration barriers faced by survivors of abuse: An Advocate's Perspective and (b) Redefining Safety for Immigrant survivors of domestic violence- making policy advocacy a priority. Watch the [video of Twitter Periscope Chat](#) on Domestic Violence at the intersections: Race and Immigration.

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### **Anjali Transitional Housing:**

Last quarter we served 11 Women and 4 Children at our Transitional Housing program.

December heralds the Holiday Season and at the Anjali Transitional Housing, the mood shifted to a more relaxed, less hectic time for all. Christmas trees were put up in all the units to bring in the holiday cheer & light. On Dec 24th, gifts were placed under the trees and added much excitement and happiness.

A big Thank You to the companies that hosted our Giving Trees, to all of you that brought in your donations to those Giving Trees, and to a generous donor who wishes to remain anonymous - your gifts helped make the holidays a little brighter for those we serve and their children.

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### **Outreach:**

We provided 13 resource tables at different social and religious events to gain visibility for Maitri. We delivered presentations for 5 different groups to educate them about the negative impacts of domestic violence and about Maitri services.

By placing Maitri Giving Trees at 13 office buildings, not only did we introduce Maitri to newer audiences, but also received wonderful gifts for our clients and their children.



In October [EnActe](#) presented 4 shows of an intellectual comedy play, Chaos Theory to benefit Maitri.

We are thankful to our community for this support. For Maitri resource booth and presentations, contact: [outreach@maitri.org](mailto:outreach@maitri.org)

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### **Development:**

We are grateful to all our donors, both individuals and foundations that provide generous support through their grants. These donations and grants not only provide much needed monetary support, but also provide validation for our work, and encourage us to continue working toward a violence free community. For a complete list of institutional funders this fiscal year, click [HERE](#).

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### **Maitri Boutique:**

An exclusive Jewelry Trunk Show in November at our boutique was well attended by many Bay Area fashionistas. Another Trunk Show is coming up on February 6 from 1pm to 4pm. This time, designer Pink BANOO will be bringing a collection of exclusive garments with the highest quality and great style.

Our semi-annual Clearance Sale is currently on until January 31st which you do not want to miss. To shop, donate and volunteer at our boutique, contact [HERE](#).

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**Quarterly Stats @ a glance**

<b>Helpline</b>	<b>Legal Advocacy</b>	<b>Transitional Housing</b>
Crisis Calls= 106 Total Calls= 926	New clients= 59 Advocacy sessions= 226	Women served= 11 Children served= 4

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