



Between Friends

Maitri Quarterly Newsletter
July 2019



In order to create violence-free communities, we must challenge the perspective that domestic violence is an isolated, personal problem that occurs nominally and in rare situations. Intimate partner violence is a phenomenon that must be addressed as a community issue, not a personal problem. By bringing these conversations to the forefront, we can make it clear that abuse of any kind has no place in our families and communities! Thank you for supporting us as we provide resources to survivors of abuse and advocate against gender violence. We are honored that you are a part of the Maitri family!

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Upcoming Events!



Take a stand against Domestic Violence!



Join Team Maitri @ Sevathon-2019

Sunday, September 8, 2019 at 6:30 AM
Arena Green (West Santa Clara Street, San Jose)

Sevathon 2019

Gather up all your friends and family to join you in running, walking, dancing, or doing yoga for change! Take a stand against domestic violence by signing up for the Maitri Team at Sevathon!

[Register Here](#)



MAITRI'S SEPTEMBER SOIRÉE

Celebrating the Superstar 70's era!

Saturday, September 7, 2019, 6:30 pm onwards
Computer History Museum



Maitri September Soirée

Buy your tickets now for a 70's themed night of magical melodies and great company! Let us all honor the power of philanthropy and celebrate the courage and resilience of those we serve.

[Register Here](#)

Quarterly News & Updates

Maitri Boutique - Upcoming Sale August 2 - August 18!

The next Semi-Annual Sale at Maitri Boutique is coming up **August 2nd-August 18th, 2019!** Stay tuned in for great deals!

Maitri on Radio Zindagi



In a radio interview with Shailaja Dixit at Radio Zindagi, Maitri representative, Zakia Afrin, shines the light on a neglected issue – Elder Abuse in the South Asian Community.

[Read Here](#)

CRDVN Peer-Learning Exchange Workshop



As part of a Peer Learning Exchange workshop for the CRDV Network, Maitri hosted a 4-hr long Theater of the Oppressed (T.O) session in partnership with Bay Area Leadership Coach, Poonam Singh. T.O is an experimental practice used by those fighting against forms of oppression. In the workshop, we explored systemic power & conflict and intervention strategies. Through the workshop, the Network members learned to identify and address systemic imbalances and build internal resilience.

Outreach Booths and Presentations



Thank you to our dedicated volunteers for volunteering their time to Maitri's outreach booths these past three months. Maitri was able to reach communities at HalalFest, Cal Pakistani Student Association's Urdu Culture Show, Cal Bengali Student Association's New Year Celebration, SpaandanB Bengali New Year Celebration, Veerangana Dance Production, West Valley Health and Housing Fair, and Yoga @ Cindy's Celebration.



There were two new presentations this quarter: one with Sanj Mava Dhiyan di Punjabi community for their Mother's Day event and one with the students of St. Francis high-school. At the Mother's Day event, Maitri staff shared the importance of understanding domestic violence as a community issue. At the interactive event with students, the youth were asked to act out skits to better understand and identify intimate partner violence.

Maitri's Domestic Violence Advocacy Training for 2019

Maitri completed its annual 40 hour Domestic Violence Advocacy Training in June 2019.

This training covered a range of critical topics that will enable trainees from Maitri and sister-agencies to provide safety planning, emotional support and advocacy to survivors of domestic violence.

Thank you for your generous support!



We are grateful to our community donors and these institutional funders whose support enabled us to provide essential services to survivors of domestic violence and to the community in fiscal year 2018-19.

A huge shout-out to Maitri supporters Meenakshi Kaul-Basu and Amit Basu, who hosted a Maitri Benefit Art Show, featuring artwork by Amit Basu himself, at their residence and donated all proceeds to Maitri!

Quarterly Statistics



Helpline

Total Calls = 903
Crisis Calls = 95



Legal Advocacy

Clients Assisted = 111
Advocacy Sessions = 355



Transitional Housing

Women Served = 10
Children Served = 8

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