



"They saved my life and I'm not the only one. You, too, can help save the lives of seniors living in San Francisco's Tenderloin." — Colin, A Curry Senior Center Participant

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Dear Salutation,

You have been a wonderful supporter of Curry Senior Center and I appreciate you very much. Once again, **I ask you to help Curry Senior Center by donating today**, so we can continue to provide the services needed for Tenderloin seniors, like Colin, to thrive.

You may have passed him on San Francisco's Streets and never known the journey he has endured. Moving to San Francisco in the 1970s was exhilarating for Colin. "Of all the cities I've seen ... this a truly a fine place."



Colin, pictured above, greatly benefits from the Curry Senior Center Community.

However, years later, after having a stroke and a heart attack, Colin was unable to work. He lost his job and his home and became homeless. "It's a horror story," Colin said as he recalled his experience of being homeless in the Tenderloin.

"You feel like you've dropped into the Twilight Zone ... I wanted to say screw this, I'm done." For a time, he felt that suicide was his only option, that was until he walked into Curry Senior Center. With the help of a Curry Case Manager, Colin secured disability benefits and a room nearby and was introduced into a community where he felt welcomed, accepted, seen and loved. "It's one of those very few places that you get to feel like, thank God, I'm not alone anymore."

Today, Colin receives medical care at Curry Senior Center's Clinic and meals in the Dining Room. He attends LGBT support groups and is a volunteer host on Curry's podcast, where he and friends discuss the LGBT community, politics, the Tenderloin neighborhood and much more.

Please donate today by going to the Curry Senior Center website or by mailing a check to us in the enclosed envelope.

Your gift truly makes a difference by helping Curry continue to deliver the quality care we have provided to seniors for more than 46 years. As Colin expressed, **"this is a resource everyone should be looking at and helping if they can."**

Together with our community,

David Knego,
Executive Director

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