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**October 4th to be Designated as "St. Anthony's Day",
Recognizing 70 Years of Serving the Homeless Populations
in San Francisco**

***At a press conference on October 4th, 10am, St. Anthony's will be honored
by Mayor London Breed's office and will launch its
Inspired By Hope Campaign***

What: St. Anthony's will receive a proclamation from Mayor London Breed's office designating October 4th as St. Anthony Foundation Day. St. Anthony's will also announce its plans for meeting the evolving needs for the homeless population in 2020 and beyond.

Why: As a major service provider in San Francisco providing food, clothing, medical care, hygiene supplies, tech access, workforce development, addiction recovery help and other critical resources to those experiencing homelessness and poverty, St. Anthony's is recognized as an integral part of the San Francisco's homelessness response.

When: Sunday, October 4th, 10am

Where: 150 Golden Gate Ave, San Francisco, CA 94102

Who: California Lieutenant Governor **Eleni Kounalakis**, California State Senator **Scott Wiener**, and District 6 Supervisor **Matt Haney** and will join St. Anthony's CEO **Nils Behnke** in recognition of St. Anthony's 70th anniversary.

More: A special steak lunch, donated by BiRite Foodservice, will be served for guests experiencing homelessness and extreme poverty.



- Gift bags will be distributed, that include a commemorative T-shirt, a protective face mask, a snack and a new pair of socks, along with a handwritten note expressing St. Anthony's appreciation for each member of its community.
- St. Anthony's History Walk, an experience that helps tell the organization's story, will be open before and after the event.
- On the evening of October 4th, landmarks throughout the city will illuminate in blue light to honor of St. Anthony's Day and our unhoused community members living in the city now and over the last 70 years. Locations: San Francisco City Hall, Salesforce Tower, Fox Plaza, Willie Mays Plaza, Union Square - Dewey Monument, the 555 Mission Building, The Old Pac Bell Building, and Bill Graham Civic Auditorium.

"I am so proud to join St. Anthony's in celebrating their 70th Anniversary. As a neighbor, I see firsthand the direct impact that St. Anthony's has on the Tenderloin community," Supervisor Haney says. "From providing meals and shelter, to workforce development programs, they have been doing the work to ensure that residents experiencing homelessness, poverty and addiction have what they need to get back on their feet. At such a difficult moment in our world, this milestone is a truly a historic one."

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About St. Anthony's:

St. Anthony's mission is guided by five values: healing, community, personalism, justice, and gratitude. In the spirit of these values, we have adapted as the needs of our guests have—growing from a Dining Room only into an organization with an in-house Medical Clinic that provides care, a Tech Lab that offers digital justice through computer access and education, a free Clothing Program, an Addiction Recovery Center, a Workforce Development Program, and a Resource Center. As we grow our program offerings, we remain dedicated to feeding the hungry and



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continuing to build a community in the heart of San Francisco. By seeing the dignity in every human being, St. Anthony's has evolved over seven decades to provide much more than just a meal. Find out more about our work at www.stanthonysf.org.

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