

Biography of Mark Dunlop

Mark Dunlop has been a resident of San Francisco for more than 30 years. During that time, he has been active in local political and social issues.

Becoming a member of the Alice B. Toklas LGBT Democratic Club he in 1977 he participated in the fight against the Briggs Initiative, an initiative that would have prohibited gays from becoming teachers. In 1980 he was a cofounder of the Haight Ashbury Community Services, one of the longest running food programs for needy San Franciscans,

From the beginning of the AIDs epidemic Mark has participated in several organizations giving support to People Living With HIV(PLWHIV) disease. He formed an informational discussion group at All Saints Parish in the Haight to give practical and spiritual help to PLWHIV. Having AIDs himself he spoke on national television urging the Reagan Administration to pay more attention to the disease. In 1997 Mark also became a member of the San Francisco HIV planning Council. He participated in the housing committee and was Chair of the Membership Committee.

Mark has also been involved in housing issues and was appointed by Mayor Agnos to the Citizens Committee on Community Development where he became chair of the housing subcommittee and eventual chair of the Citizens Committee itself.

In 1997, Mayor Willie Brown appointed Mark to the San Francisco Redevelopment Commission where he has served as Vice- President and President. One of seven commissioners in charge of public policy and long term planning for the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency. Reviewing and approving development plans and then implementation and management of major redevelopment projects throughout the City and County of San Francisco. The Commission also approves the hiring of the Agency's executive staff. Major development projects during his tenure until September 2006 include AT&T Park, the development at Mission Bay and Hunter's Point Shipyard.

In September 2006, Mayor Gavin Newsom appointed Mark to the San Francisco Human Rights Commission (SFHRC) to oversee the proper and efficient implementation of public policy by the staff of the Human Rights Commission. The Commissioners also serve as the judicial body for disputes regarding the implementation of the City's fair hiring practices. Also served as Co-chair of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Advisory Committee (LGBTAC). The LGBTAC advises the SFHRC on issues relating to the LGBT community.

In September 2008, Mayor Gavin Newsom appointed Mark to the Golden Gate Park Concourse Authority, working with San Francisco Rec and Park Department to design, construct, operate and maintain the underground parking facility on behalf of the City as well as oversee renovation of the Concourse grounds.

In December 2010, Mayor Newsom appointed Mark to the Treasure Island Development Authority Board of Directors to fill an unexpired term. He was reappointed in 2012 by Mayor Ed Lee, and is currently serving on the TIDA Board.

Additional Volunteer Activities and Honors

1981 Helped create a lunch program for distressed families at All Saints Episcopal Church in the Haight. It offers a warm meal every Saturday and is one the longest operating programs of its kind.

1983-1985. In conjunction with the food program created and ran a safer sex information and condom distribution program.

1988 Participated in Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi's monthly meetings on the AIDS crisis.

1991-1998 Citizens Committee on Community Development Appointed by Mayor Art Agnos, Reappointed by Mayors Frank Jordan and Willie L. Brown. Served on various sub committees and was elected chairman of the Housing Sub Committee.

1995 Invited by President Bill Clinton to be a participant in the first White House AIDS Conference.

2004, 2005 Volunteered at the early Project Homeless Connect as well Project School Connect.

2004-2006 President of Positive Peddlers, an organization dedicated to helping PWA/HIV find friendship, challenge and better health through bicycling events.
As an AIDS Ride participant and President of Positive Peddlers I have helped raise over \$20,000 to fight HIV/AIDS

2005-2007 Mayor Newsom appointed me to be a member of the Public Housing Task Force. Creating and presenting to the Mayor the document: "HOPE SF: REBUILDING PUBLIC HOUSING AND RESTORING OPPORTUNITY FOR ITS RESIDENTS"

2008 Worked as a volunteer for the election of President Obama. From August to November 2008, I was the Office Manager and Assistant Field Manager at the Carson City, Nevada field office.

2012 Worked as a volunteer for the re-election of President Obama from August to November 2012 in Iowa City, Iowa. I worked as Assistant Field Manager.

2009 to 2020 After leaving the HRC Commission I served on the LGBT HRC Advisory Committee, working on numerous sub-committees addressing issues of racism in our own community as well as other issues of discrimination against LGBT people.

2009 to 2020 Board Member, Alice B. Toklas Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Democratic Club. The largest and oldest LGBT club in San Francisco.

High School to Present Singer Songwriter performing my own material and others.

2014 to Present Started a small business of buying and selling minerals and fossils.

2014 to Present Step parent to two children with my spouse on Treasure Island.

2022 to Forever. Married my partner of 10 years.

2014 to Present Appointed by then Mayor Newsom re-appointed by Mayor Lee and then by Mayor Breed

To the Treasure Island Development Authority Board serving as Secretary from 2016 to present. We have the responsibility of overseeing the development of Treasure Island from a former base and housing for the Navy to an active and growing community it is the largest expansion public open space in the Bay Area. We are in the process of developing housing for 20,000 folks from the current population of 2,000. We project affordable housing of @28% and as we build replacement housing we are assisting current residents in relocation efforts. This is an exciting opportunity for current and future residents.