WHO
SOS provides high-quality, nonjudgmental health services directly to people experiencing homelessness in places where they live and congregate.

WHY
By taking care to the streets - meeting patients on their own turf - the SOS team builds relationships of trust and breaks down the barriers that keep unhoused people from the care they need and deserve.

ANNUAL SUCCESSES

1,000+ people experiencing homelessness in San Francisco receive complimentary urgent & preventative care from SOS each year

50+ medical residents, medical students, and nursing students receive hands-on training from our skilled multidisciplinary team

THE NEW SOS VAN WILL HAVE:
- 2 entrance/exit doors to support safe patient flow
- Separate heating/cooling units for the front and rear sections for improved air circulation
- An attached exterior awning to protect staff and patients from the elements in the event that specific patients continue to need to be seen outdoors

NEW VAN FEATURES

SOS has revamped its services in response to COVID to include 100% outdoor clinics. As the weather becomes colder and wetter, we need a new vehicle to allow us to safely treat patients inside of our medical van again. The SOS van travels to patients residing outdoors, providing care to those not easily seen in traditional clinic settings.

An SF resident for 20 years, the last several without housing, Robert says he’s ready to “ditch city life”. But for now, he says a perk of living here is the great medical care from SOS.

GOAL:
$200,000
“Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much.” Helen Keller. Thank you to our beloved “Big Blue” for faithfully carrying our dedicated teams of doctors, nurses, outreach workers, students, and volunteers to the streets to serve thousands of people within your protective walls for almost 2 decades.

17 YEARS of SERVICE

17,000+ urgent & preventative medical visits

UCSF Community Partnership Award

850+ medical providers trained

A dedicated volunteer since the launch of the SOS program in 1988, Dr. Dan Wlodarczyk has treated thousands of patients and mentored hundreds of medical residents with his trademark equanimity.

100% of SOS medical staffing is provided by volunteers.

Jorge has been receiving urgent care on the SOS van from the same Nurse Practitioner for several years and was able to keep seeing her when we connected him to her primary care clinic.

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