

*St. Anthony's*  
**DINING ROOM**

FOR THOSE IN NEED

**ST. ANTHONY'S**

SAN FRANCISCO

*a new dining room*



*for the new century*

**BUILDING A NEW ST. ANTHONY'S DINING ROOM FROM THE GROUND UP**

### ***We're building a new St. Anthony's Dining Room.***

**For six decades** St. Anthony's Dining Room has moved millions of people into better lives. Today we need facilities with greater efficiency to serve even more people who need a hot meal, a set of clothes, a doctor's care, and guidance if they are to participate in the life of our city.

To meet the challenges of the New Century, we need a Dining Room with more space, more efficient design, and modern equipment.

### ***We want you on board to make it happen.***

You are a crucial partner in this mission. We want to work with you on the next step. Your participation and generous giving will lay the foundation for a stronger and even more responsive St. Anthony's.

### ***We must raise \$12 million in 2011.***

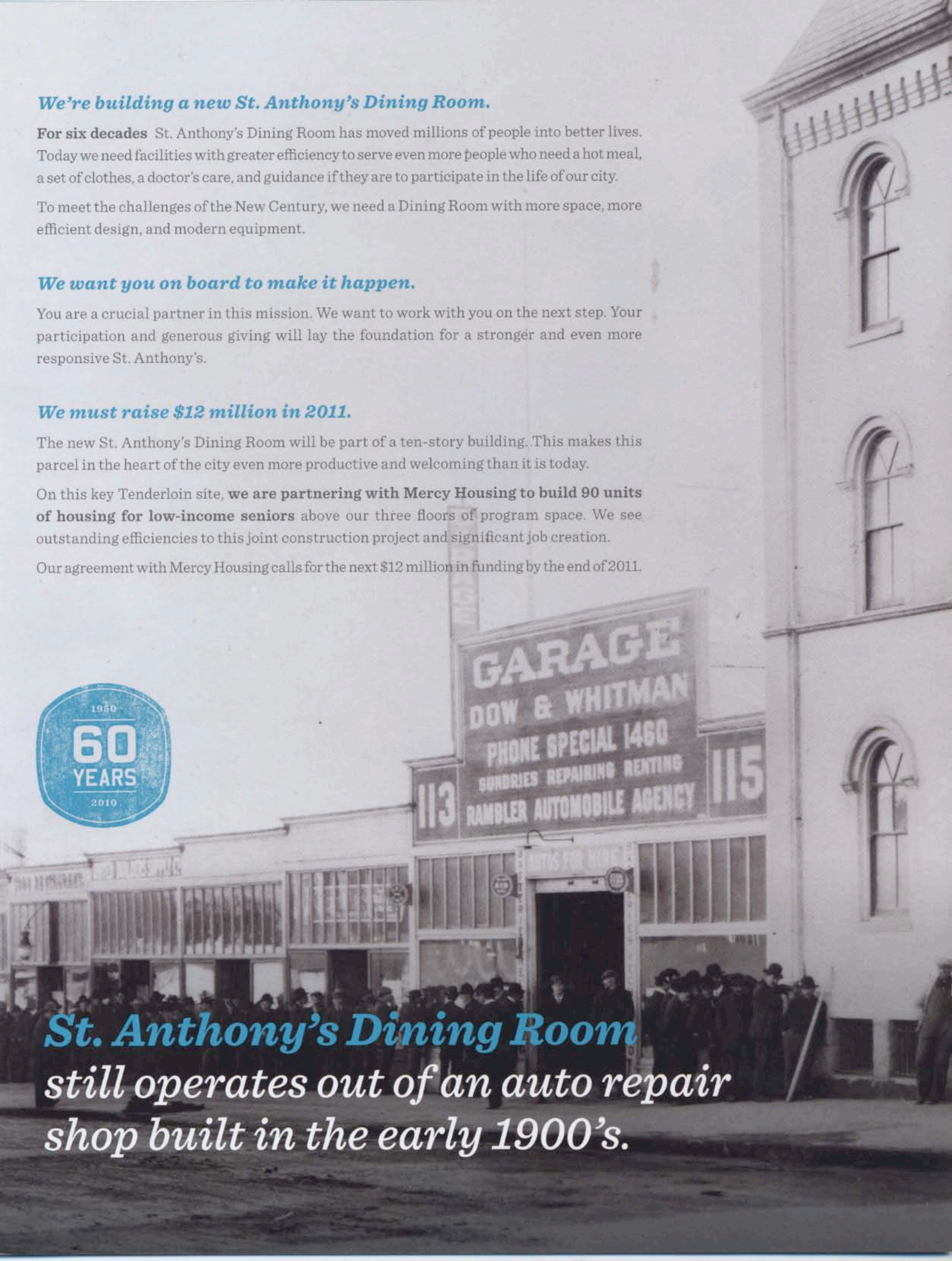
The new St. Anthony's Dining Room will be part of a ten-story building. This makes this parcel in the heart of the city even more productive and welcoming than it is today.

On this key Tenderloin site, **we are partnering with Mercy Housing to build 90 units of housing for low-income seniors** above our three floors of program space. We see outstanding efficiencies to this joint construction project and significant job creation.

Our agreement with Mercy Housing calls for the next \$12 million in funding by the end of 2011.



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# *We're Building a New St. Anthony's Dining Room from the Ground Up.*

After years of expensive maintenance and making do in the old Dining Room, we're building a new facility that will meet the complex needs of growing numbers of residents in need.

The new Dining Room will be 22% larger, growing from 196 to 240 seats. At 12 trays a minute, that's thousands more a year who will receive a hot meal when they sacrifice their food budget to cover other necessities.

In the new building, up-to-date equipment and space designed for the purpose will keep guests moving in and out of the Dining Room without rushing or crowding them. In the event of a disaster, St. Anthony's will be a help center as part of a city-wide plan for disaster resilience while keeping our guests, staff and volunteers safe.

But this is only the beginning. In our new upgraded urban campus, the new Dining Room will provide a gateway to other key services, raising more of our neighbors out of poverty and desperation. Guests will be accompanied upstairs to the Free Clothing Program and the Social Work Center or across the street to the Tenderloin Tech Lab.

## **SAN FRANCISCO NEEDS ST. ANTHONY'S DINING ROOM.**

Almost 12,000 families and individuals in San Francisco live in rooms without kitchen facilities.

15,000 people, including women and children, live on the street, in shelters, and in short-term arrangements with friends and relatives.

Thousands more use free food programs to stretch budgets that don't quite cover food, clothing, medical expenses, and San Francisco rents.

## **ST. ANTHONY'S MEETS THE NEED.**

St. Anthony's Dining Room serves almost 40% of all free meals served in San Francisco. It is the only free food program in San Francisco open every day of the year.

We serve as many as 3,000 meals per day to a wide variety of our city neighbors and residents. That will soon be a million meals a year.

## **WHO COMES TO ST. ANTHONY'S?**

Our guests are seniors trying to live on Social Security in one of the most expensive cities in the country.

They are veterans of five wars whose ability to work is compromised by age, illness, or war-related injury or trauma.

They are families living in studios with parents working two and three jobs, none of which provide health insurance.

They are people with physical disabilities, 70% of whom, nationwide, live below the poverty line.

Our clients include children who need immunizations and women fleeing abusive homes.

They include the chronically homeless, the working poor, and neighbors in short-term transition or crisis.

Funds raised through this campaign will empower St. Anthony's to offer guests a hot meal and a warm coat, counsel patients in managing their mental and physical health, and so much more.

## **WE'RE FACING THE CHALLENGES OF THE 21ST CENTURY.**

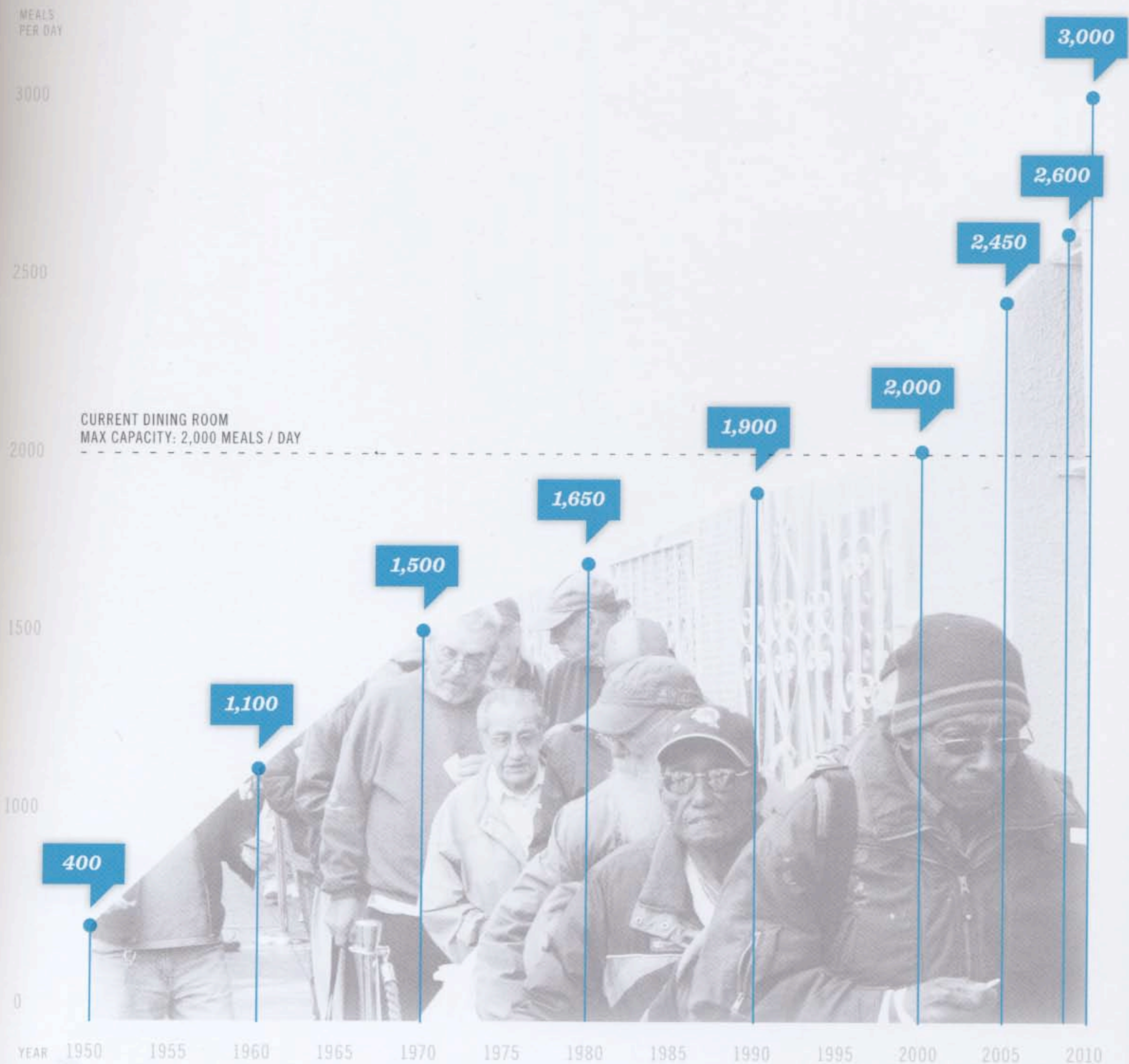
The post World War II generation will soon become the largest population of seniors the country has seen. At the same time, we are seeing increasingly younger vets returning from recent tours overseas. Whenever the economy is damaged, budget cuts at every level lead to reduced support and services for people with physical disabilities and mental illness and increased hardship for those who cannot live independently.

*Yet St. Anthony's still operates out of an auto repair shop built in the early 1900's.*



# Growth of Daily Meals Served over the Past Sixty Years

By any metric, the old Dining Room is deeply inadequate. While the need increases, the building and equipment get older. Old equipment and an obsolete building design slow down service. Furthermore, the building is not up to earthquake resistance standards.



# The Gateway Plan



## THE DINING ROOM

St. Anthony's Dining Room is a main entry point for guests into our other services. To make sure we draw guests from the Dining Room into our other programs as well as outside services, we have staffed the Dining Room with social workers who talk with guests about their other needs and guide them to even more help.

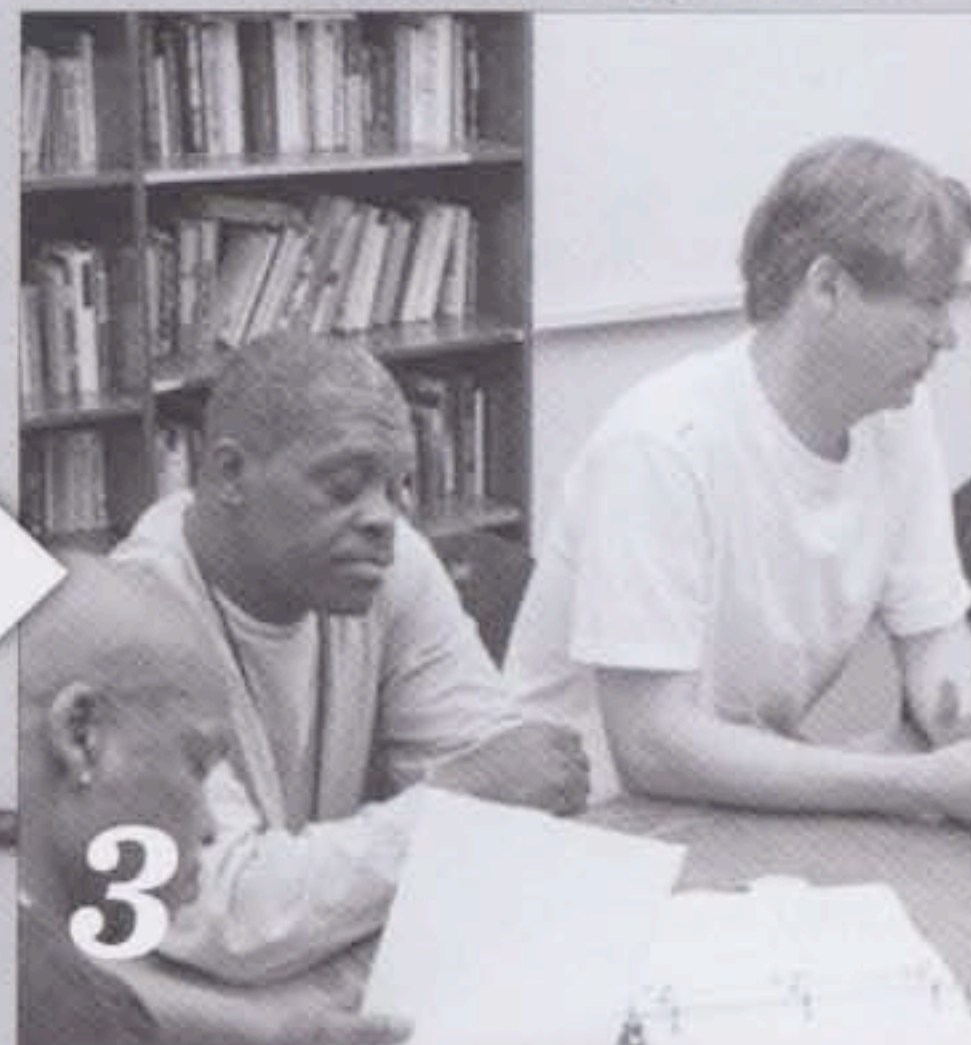
Outreach volunteers from the Tenderloin Tech Lab visit the Dining Room regularly to build rapport with guests, identify those who are ready to benefit from using the Tech Lab's free computer classes, and sign them up for services ranging from basic computer literacy to online job search, advanced skills training and a drop-in lab.

\*THE TENDERLOIN TECH LAB IS A COLLABORATIVE PROJECT WITH SAN FRANCISCO NETWORK MINISTRIES.



## FROM FOOD TO CLOTHING

St. Anthony's Free Clothing Program will move into the second story of the new Dining Room building. This will provide a direct link from food to clothing and make it just a little easier for guests, especially the elderly and people with disabilities, to access this service. St. Anthony's runs the largest free clothing program in San Francisco, providing winter wear, interview and work clothes, and replacement clothing for growing children to homeless and low-income families and individuals, five days a week.



## FROM IMMEDIATE TO LONG TERM

St. Anthony's Social Work Center will also move to the new Dining Room building. Counseling, emergency assistance, and help with housing, paperwork, and money management will be right upstairs from our guests' mid-day meal and their first encounter with a social worker in St. Anthony's Dining Room.

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St. Anthony's Dining Room



## **From our supporters and guests...**

*"San Franciscans take enormous pride in the work of St. Anthony's, which is an inspirational example nationwide. The staff and volunteers at St. Anthony's provide invaluable assistance to our most vulnerable neighbors."*

– CONGRESSWOMAN NANCY PELOSI

*"I did not know the meaning of the word benevolent. It didn't exist in my world. But every time I come to St. Anthony Dining Room I experience and cherish that unconditional love It has become a part of me. Thank you."*

– A DINING ROOM GUEST

*"You've got to see St. Anthony Foundation with your own eyes. The foundation fills a critical need in our community."*

– BERNARD OSHER, FOUNDER AND TREASURER,  
THE BERNARD OSHER FOUNDATION

*"Great food served with a large side of love. I like the food, the love, and the feeling I take with me when I leave. I am not junk and I am not alone."*

– A DINING ROOM GUEST

*"We see our donation as a way to carry out our mission and the gospel mandate to serve and advocate for our sisters and brothers who are poor and disenfranchised, and our desire to collaborate with others to help create healthy communities."*

– LLOYD H. DEAN, PRESIDENT AND CEO, CATHOLIC HEALTHCARE WEST

## **For more information...**

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