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## Marvin Gardens team helps AIDS Walk raise funds

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Marvin Gardens Realtor Suzanne Baum was visiting her local ice cream shop earlier this summer with her two young children when she saw the marketing materials for the 22nd Annual AIDS Walk. She knew she could complete the six-mile walk through San Francisco's Golden Gate Park, but wanted to contribute more than just her time and

donation, so she approached her colleagues at a weekly office meeting and formed Team Marvin Gardens.

Joining her were partner/mother, Toba Schwartz, colleagues Marni Fischer, Mitch Lucio, Mykah Larkins and other friends and family of the Realtors.

They embarked on a hasty fundraising campaign just three

weeks prior to the July 20 walkathon that overall raised \$4.5 million dollars. Their contribution, mostly made up of \$25 and \$50 donations from colleagues, clients, friends and family totaled nearly \$2,100 by dawn on the day of the walk. Team Marvin Gardens's fundraising efforts placed them 210th out of 250

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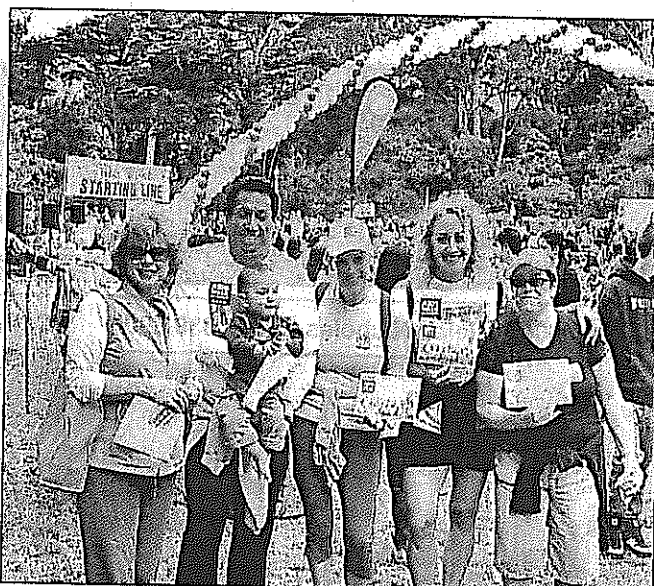
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teams just days before the walk.

The theme of this year's walk was "thoroughly green" and in the spirit of Marvin Gardens's own "Green Business" status, the walkers opted to participate in the Green Walkers program — for participants who opted not to receive any printed or mailed materials.

Most of Team Marvin Gardens completed the walk within three hours due to the foot traffic amongst the 25,000 participants. They are planning to spearhead the effort for next year's 23rd Annual AIDS Walk as well. If you would like to join them next year or make a donation to this year's efforts, please log on to [www.aidswalk.net](http://www.aidswalk.net) and click on "Sponsor a Walker."



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**TEAM MARVIN GARDENS** included, from left, Toba Schwartz, Mitch Lucio, Suzanne Baum, Mykah Larkins and Marni Fischer.