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Mary Steiner leads civil society organizations and government advisory boards to empower marginalized people with human rights. The dignity and worth of all persons are her mission.

As President of the United Nations Association, USA, San Francisco (UNA SF), Mary has facilitated the growth of the San Francisco Chapter to educate about the human rights work of the United Nations locally and globally. She convenes the Program Committee to provide a platform for partnerships to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals which are based on human rights. Co-convening and mentoring are routine responsibilities as she supports the Young Professionals for Sustainable Development Goals Seminar Series in partnership with the University of San Francisco. Mary has produced and curated panels of experts, conferences, and UN commemorations in partnership with consulates, universities, NGOs, government agencies, and businesses on such topics as homelessness, refugees, women's equality, rights of the child, climate justice, environmental health, sustainable development, peace keeping, and rule of law. Her leadership influences systemic changes to achieve a just and flourishing city. P

Presently, the UNA SF leads a partnership including the National Council of Jewish Women San Francisco in support of the New Agenda for US Human Rights: Ratification of the Convention to Eliminate All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) and the Convention for the Rights of Children (UNCRC). Other partners include the San Francisco Collaborative Against Human Trafficking, Friends of the San Francisco Status of Women Commission, Cities for CEDAW, Soroptimist International San Francisco, and Geneva -Based International Alliance of Women. The New Agenda was launched as part of the San Francisco Series (eight events) during the UN Commission on the Status of Women 65th Session NGO Forum with 25,000 participants and 700 events.

Mary serves on the San Francisco Mayor's Task Force on Anti-Human Trafficking as well as the San Francisco Collaboration Against Human Trafficking committees. As an Associate Member of Veterans for Peace, Mary shares office space at the birth place of the United Nations, the San Francisco War Memorial Veterans Building.