



# Center for Family Life in Sunset Park

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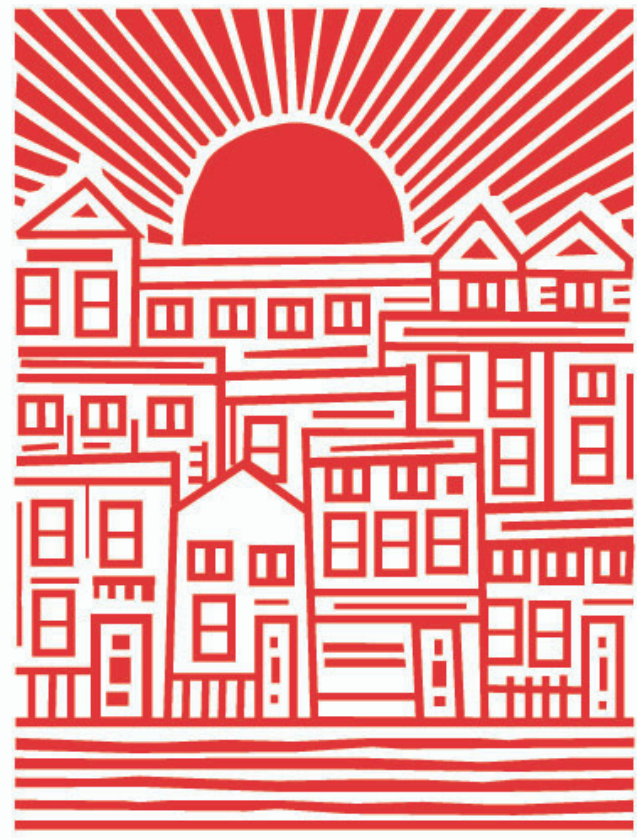
# 2019 BUSINESS DIRECTORY

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Full directory of worker cooperatives developed with support from  
the Cooperative Development Program at the Center for Family Life  
in Sunset Park.

## COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



### Center for Family Life in Sunset Park

#### SCO Family of Services

The Center for Family Life's Cooperative Development Program (CDP) began in 2006 to meet the unique workforce needs of Sunset Park, a densely populated, multi-ethnic, low-income neighborhood in South Brooklyn. CDP organizes community members to create worker-owned cooperative businesses with the mission of economic and social justice. Through CFL's holistic, neighborhood-rooted approach, CDP:

- Builds leadership and coaches cooperative members and community organizations,
- Cultivates relationships to strengthen the cooperative movement
- Generates and shares best practices and models for cooperative growth.

CDP helps coordinate the formation and organization of each cooperative, including business consultation and comprehensive support services offered by our bilingual program staff. Each cooperative develops an internal leadership and management structure, grounded in principles of democracy, equity, community self-determination, and solidarity.

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Up & Go is a web application for consumers to book home services from worker cooperatives. This joint marketing platform was designed with and is owned by the participating worker-owned businesses, harnessing the technology of today's digital gig economy to enable gig workers to access reliable, good jobs.

LAUNCHED MAY 2017

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Brightly® is a franchise of worker-owned cooperatives that offer eco-friendly residential and commercial cleaning services throughout the five boroughs of NYC.

The democratically-managed Brightly® cooperatives improve working conditions, increase wages, and foster leadership and entrepreneurial development among workers. The first two cooperatives are Brightly® Port Richmond, in Staten Island and Brightly® Carroll Gardens, in Brooklyn. Two new Brightly® cooperatives are currently in development in East Harlem and Washington Heights.

### LAUNCHED 2017

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### LAUNCHED 2018

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NannyBee of Upper Manhattan is the first cooperative in what will be a network of worker-owned childcare businesses united by a common brand. NannyBee's mission is to care for and educate children, understanding that they are important and valuable. The members of NannyBee strive to prepare children to become healthy and educated adults who advance the collective well-being of families and the community.

LAUNCHED OCTOBER 2017

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# CUSP

Cooperatives United for Sunset Park

Alianza CUSP is a network of socially responsible and worker-owned businesses based in Sunset Park, Brooklyn.

They hope to create a just economy, where workers' rights and access to resources are guaranteed for everybody. Their mission is to advocate for immigrant workers' rights, develop social leadership in the worker-owned business community, and provide direct services to startup cooperative businesses. Sunset Scholars, Trusty Amigos, Beyond Care, Golden Steps, Maharlika and Pa'lante Forward Cleaning are members of CUSP.

LAUNCHED 2013

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OPERATING INDEPENDENTLY SINCE 2017

Maharlika Cleaning is committed to providing high quality, eco-friendly office cleaning services while creating stable and decent jobs through the promotion of democratic decision-making, education, and living wages. They are the first Filipino migrant and labor trafficking survivor-owned business in the United States: Maharlika means “power” and “precious” in Tagalog, their language in the Philippines. Their name embodies the commitment to building power collectively to help each other, their community and their clients.

LAUNCHED SEPTEMBER 2015

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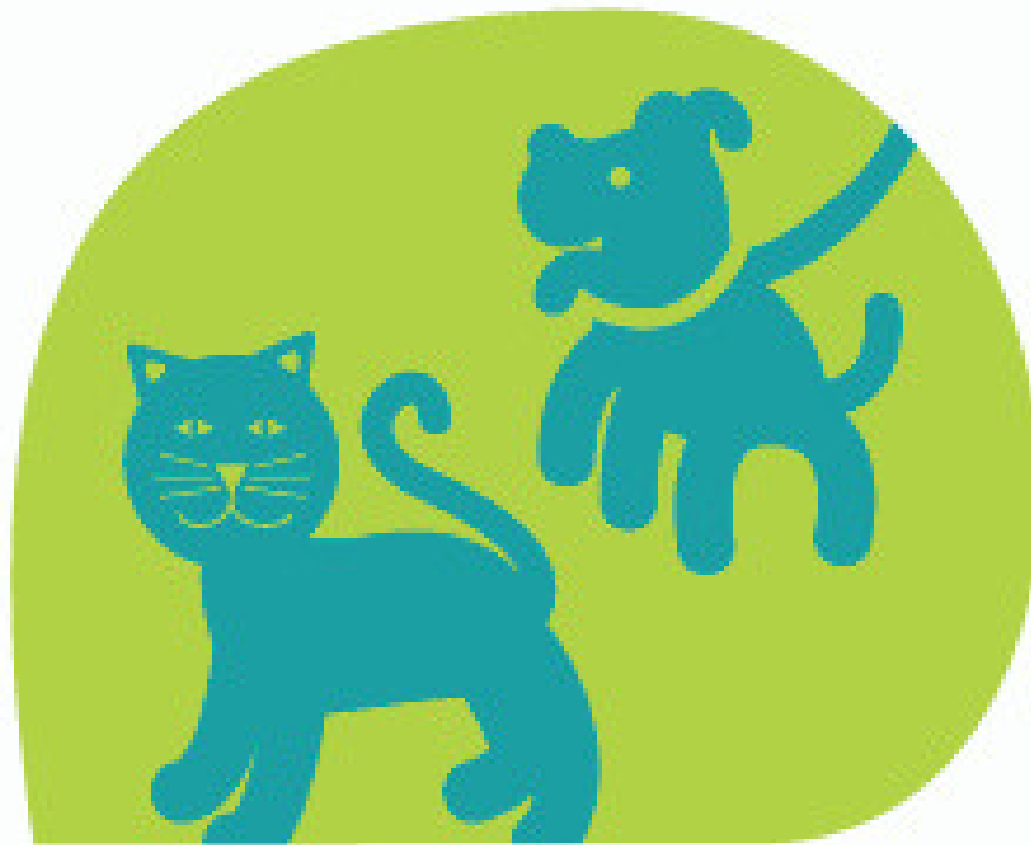


Sunset Scholars is a diverse group of talented and committed high school and college students, experienced tutors and teachers, and bilingual speakers who are passionate about teaching. As a cooperative they are personally invested in the academic success of the students in their community as well as in providing meaningful work for their members. Sunset Scholars' goal is to provide quality affordable tutoring. They are committed to community development through educating youth. They promise to reach out to parents and students to help create a better today and a brighter tomorrow.

LAUNCHED SEPTEMBER 2015

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# TRUSTY AMIGOS

Dog Walking & Pet Care Co-op

OPERATING INDEPENDENTLY SINCE 2018

Trusty Amigos is a distinguished dog walking and pet care business. The name represents members' commitment to being reliable, loyal friends to clients, pets and fellow workers.

Trusty Amigos is a cooperative business where the walkers are the owners of the company. Members strive to bring enthusiasm, professionalism and dignity as dog walking and pet-care professionals. Trusty Amigos' democratic cooperative structure enhances our work with animals, as we are dedicated to excellent communication, teamwork and professional development.

LAUNCHED JUNE 2014

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OPERATING INDEPENDENTLY SINCE 2018

Golden Steps Cooperative provides non-medical companionship care to seniors. They are a cooperative of well-trained home companions that care for seniors as they were family, handling their daily non-medical tasks and helping them to get around so that they can continue to live safely at home and enjoy their lives to the fullest. The cooperative business is run by women in the Sunset Park community.

LAUNCHED JUNE 2011

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OPERATING INDEPENDENTLY SINCE 2017

Émigré Gourmet Cooking Collective is based in Sunset Park, Brooklyn. The members have been preparing the cuisines of their homelands since childhood. They specialize in South Asia and the Middle East cuisines. The services offered by the collective include catering, cooking lessons, and market tours.

LAUNCHED 2009

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OPERATING INDEPENDENTLY SINCE 2017

Beyond Care Child Care Cooperative, Inc. is a socially responsible cooperative business owned and run by women. It was launched in Sunset Park, Brooklyn in June 2008 by 19 immigrant women and with the support of the Center for Family Life. Today, Beyond Care members offer full-time and part-time services to New York City families and organizations. The members are committed to providing child care that goes beyond the basic: while any child care provider should keep children safe, Beyond Care members strive to educate and engage children in ways that nurture and stimulate their development.

LAUNCHED JUNE 2008

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OPERATING INDEPENDENTLY SINCE 2017

Si Se Puede! Women's Cooperative, We Can Do It! Inc. was launched in Sunset Park, Brooklyn when 15 founding members came together to conceptualize, plan and launch a women-owned, women-run business. After reviewing research on housecleaning, women-run businesses and evaluating the groups' strengths and skills, participants decided to begin as a cooperative housecleaning business. Today the coop continues to grow each year due to demand from their clientele. Members have opportunities to assume leadership roles, and all decisions about the structure of the business are made democratically. The cooperative is designed to create living wage jobs that will be carried out in a safe and healthy environment, and to promote social supports and educational opportunities for the members.

LAUNCHED SUMMER 2006

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**ACTION OSH**  
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH  
WORKER OWNER COOPERATIVE

OPERATING INDEPENDENTLY SINCE 2017

ActionOSH is a workers owned cooperative- focused in occupational safety and health based in New York City. ActionOSH has an experienced team with more than 3000 hours of training in construction and industrial work environment. Their mission is to empower through awareness, to train construction and industrial workers in different communities in the United States through a dynamic and pedagogical training and practice to learn specific safety and occupational health to improve their quality of work and life. CFL provided technical assistance training and back office services between 2016 and 2018.

LAUNCHED WINTER 2017

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OPERATING INDEPENDENTLY SINCE 2017

Pa'lante is a worker-owned cooperative that aims to improve the working conditions of its members through the creation of dignified living wage jobs and the development of leadership and workplace democracy. Pa'lante provides quality professional cleaning services that build a sustainable relationship between its members, the clients and the broader community through mutual understanding and the promotion of green products. CFL provided technical assistance training and back office services between 2016 and 2018.

LAUNCHED 2014

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