



## **The Mess Hall and the Presidio Trust Unveil Exciting Plans for a 2025 Opening** *All-Day Food and Beverage Destination Coming to the Presidio Tunnel Tops*

**SAN FRANCISCO, CA. (July 16, 2024)** – The Mess Hall and the Presidio Trust are thrilled to announce a long-term lease agreement for 201 Halleck Street within Presidio Tunnel Tops. Having already welcomed over 3 million visitors since its opening in 2022, Presidio Tunnel Tops is the newest attraction within the Presidio. 201 Halleck represents the largest and final food and beverage project to join the park as its only all-day cafe, bar, food hall and retail market – a place where visitors can enjoy stunning views of the Golden Gate Bridge, Alcatraz, and the city skyline and gain easy access to everything the Presidio has to offer.

Inspired by the timeless concept of the beloved food hall, the team behind The Mess Hall aims to provide offerings that will be curated to include a range of price points and flavors, ensuring there's always something for everyone of all ages. This includes fast-casual made-to-order meals, grab-&-go prepared options, and a provisions market featuring local specialties, imported favorites, and picnic essentials.

“Being a part of this lauded San Francisco destination is a dream come true,” Rob Gaon, Bay Area resident and a principal of The Mess Hall Group, shared. “We’re excited to have such a creative team developing The Mess Hall, and we’re looking forward to enhancing the park experience for locals and tourists alike.”

James Beard Awarded Chef Peter Serpico, by way of his past partnerships with STARR and MOMOFUKU, is spearheading the culinary development of The Mess Hall's multiple and distinctive food concepts. With a commitment to satisfying the diverse palates of Presidio residents and visitors, Serpico's involvement promises an experience that will blend exciting menus with a welcoming and enlivened setting.

For guests seeking craft beverages and exciting libations, The Mess Hall's Bar will be curated by Zach Negin, known for his community-focused stewardship as owner of Tabula Rasa Bar and Shop LA, Silverlake Lounge LA, and partner in Dolores Deluxe, a beloved historic San Francisco corner store. The Bar will offer a meticulously crafted menu featuring an array of cocktails, mocktails, craft beers, and thoughtfully produced wines from around the world. Nate Israel, concept developer and brand management specialist, will oversee the project as director of operations.

"We're delighted to welcome our new tenant, The Mess Hall at the Presidio," said Daryl Ansel, director of hospitality & business development for the Presidio Trust. "They're offering such a diverse range of food and drink options, which is perfect since our research showed a strong desire for a social gathering space at the Presidio Tunnel Tops, and a food hall/market was a top choice." The Mess Hall joins a growing array of popular eateries on the Main Post, including Dalida, Colibri, Il Parco, and the Presidio Pop Up food trucks.

For up-to-date progress on the new enterprise, with further details on design, food offerings, and opening date, follow The Mess Hall at the Presidio at [www.messhallpresidio.com](http://www.messhallpresidio.com) and @messhallpresidio on Instagram.

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### **About The Mess Hall**

The Mess Hall at the Presidio is a visionary food and beverage destination to be located at 201 Halleck Street, San Francisco, CA 94129. It offers a unique blend of culinary delights, curated beverages, and retail offerings, within the iconic Presidio national park site. The opening date will be announced soon. Presidio Mess Hall, L.L.C. is an operating company lead by Rob Gaon and Nate Israel. Follow us at [www.messhallpresidio.com](http://www.messhallpresidio.com); @messhallpresidio

### **About the Presidio and the Presidio Trust**

The Presidio is one of America's most visited national park sites, located within the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. Spanning 1,500 acres next to San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge, the Presidio is among the most biologically diverse parks in America. Historically a home to native peoples and a military post under three flags, its facilities have been reinvented as museums, restaurants, hotels, homes, and offices. The Presidio Trust is the federal agency that stewards the Presidio in partnership with the National Park Service and with support from the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy. The Trust sustains the Presidio by leasing homes and workplaces and offering visitor amenities. Learn more at [presidio.gov](http://presidio.gov) and @presidiosf.

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