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Lafayette's Park Theater Trust announces purchase of historic downtown theater

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Classic holiday films like "Miracle on 34th Street" often underscore how dreams can come true with a little luck, lots of perseverance, and strong community support. After three and a half years of countless hours and tireless effort, the all-volunteer nonprofit Park Theater Trust (TPTT) announced its own "Miracle on Golden Gate Way" in Lafayette after successfully closing escrow and now owning, on behalf of the entire Lafayette community, the iconic Park Theater.

The sale closed on Dec. 16 and now the Trust is ramping up its community-wide fundraising to bring in the \$5 million needed for the renovation, with plans to reopen in 2023. TPTT will be teaming up with Adam Bergeron and Jaimi Holker of CinemaSF, longtime operators of the historic Balboa, Vogue and soon-to-be-reopened Four Star neighborhood cinemas in San Francisco. Lafayette's iconic Park Theater will be CinemaSF's first foray into the East Bay and will offer first-run art and indie films, Hollywood classics, and non-film events.

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