Are we running out of room for each other?

More than 7.5 million of us live in the Bay Area, and still our lives feel siloed.

Work and the cost of living take up so much of our time and energy. There's less left for family and friends, and our screens take most of what remains. We're more anxious and isolated, and less willing to hear each other out.

In the Corner is about the people who shape us, the things we carry with us, and the ways we show up for one another. We all need people in our corner. None of us gets through life alone.

What's happening in your corner?

Scan to share your perspective anonymously.

1 Scan the code | 2 Answer the question, no names | 3 Read what the Bay Area said online

Every note is read before it's posted, and anything personal is taken out.

What's keeping us apart, by the numbers

41% of adults are online almost constantly, twice as many as in 2015
Pew Research Center, 2025

2 in 3 turned down a social event because of the cost
CFP Board, 2026

62% blame loneliness on being too busy, tired or overworked
Harvard MCC, 2024

54% feel isolated at least some of the time
APA, 2025

76% of Bay Area households can't afford a median-priced home
CA Assn. of Realtors, 2026

58% blame loneliness on a society that's too individualistic
Harvard MCC, 2024