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Senator Scott Wiener and Mayor London Breed Join Developers for the Topping Out of Two Sunnydale Affordable Communities

Related California, development partner Mercy Housing, and other community leaders marked the topping out of the two newest affordable communities part of the multi-phase Sunnydale HOPE SF revitalization effort in San Francisco. The two Sunnydale buildings, Arnaz and Rea will add 170 new affordable housing units for low-income families serving 30% to 60% Area Median Income, with the ground floors of the buildings containing an early childhood education center, health and wellness center, and neighborhood resource center operated by nonprofit tenants, and retail opportunities.

This is the third phase of the multi-phase Sunnydale HOPE SF revitalization effort led by Related California and Mercy Housing California, in collaboration with the Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development (MOHCD) and San Francisco Housing Authority (SFHA), is transform the Sunnydale and Velasco public housing into a vibrant, mixed-income community. To date, 302 affordable units have been completed with 75% of them designated as public housing replacement units for Sunnydale public housing residents. The transformation will replace 775 public housing units with 1,700 units of mixed-income housing, including 400 affordable. The construction of The Hub, a new community center serving Sunnydale and Potrero Terrace public housing residents.

Funding for the development was provided by tax credit equity and a construction loan by Wells Fargo Bank, a permanent loan from Citibank, a soft loan by the San Francisco's Mayor's Office of Housing & Community Development, Affordable Housing & Sustainable Communities Program, and Infill Infrastructure Grant Program, and recycled bonds from the San Francisco California Housing Finance Agency (CalHFA) Bond Recycling Program.

David Baker Architects is the architect and SerraNova JV is the general contractor.

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City Leaders, Related California, and the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles Mark the Opening of the First Phase of the Redevelopment Expansion

The Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) and Related California opened the first phase of the redevelopment and expansion of the Rose Hill Courts public housing complex in Northeast Los Angeles.

One of the oldest public housing complexes in Los Angeles, Rose Hill Courts was originally constructed by HACLA in the mid-1940s. In 2020, HACLA selected Related California as their partner to redevelop the aging site. It has plans for 195 multifamily units, parking and community building.

The first phase includes 60 units geared toward current residents of Rose Hill Courts. Phase 1 will include 59 units of housing and one unit for a resident manager. The buildings will have a mix of one, two and three bedroom apartments and supported by regular Section 8 Project-Based Vouchers or the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) vouchers. The second phase will include a 5,300 square foot community building with management and social services offices and a community meeting space. There will also be a 'central park' green space, creating a park-like setting for residents.

The redevelopment also received state funding for creating one mile of bikeway paths that connect to the existing bicycle network, new sidewalks, and the purchase of eight new electric DASH buses to strengthen connections to transit for the entire neighborhood.

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Related Hosts Bay Area Mayors to Support Bay Area Affordable Housing Bond

Related California, Chinatown Community Development Center (CCDC), and the Non-Profit Housing Association of Northern California (NPH) hosted the mayors of San Francisco, San Jose, and Berkeley at Rosebud's Pan Mi in Mission Bay to kick off the campaign for voters to pass the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA) affordable housing bond. NPH and Related California welcomed the group of mayors to the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA) Board in 2019 as one of San Francisco's largest and most celebrated affordable housing developments.

Mayors Breed, Mahan, and Arreguin each gave passionate remarks to regional press outlets urging voters to vote in favor of the BAHFA bond in November's general election.

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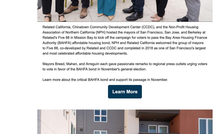

City of Oakland, Related California and Faith-Based Partner Open Second Affordable Development

Acts Cherry Hill Apartments is a 55-unit affordable housing development with a community-serving health center located in the Fruitvale District of Oakland. The project is the culmination of partnership over a decade ago under the leadership of Acts Community Development Corporation, founded by Bishop Bob Jackson of Acts Full Gospel Church, addressing the need for affordable housing in east Oakland. The second of two affordable developments completed by the partnership have transformed a section of International Boulevard previously occupied by underutilized retail and dilapidated housing into a hub of stability and opportunity.

As part of the $28.2 million 'Better Neighborhoods, Same Neighborhood' initiative, Acts Cherry Hill is supported by a comprehensive set of resources and services including a new health center funded with funds from California Climate Investments, a statewide initiative that puts billions of Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment – particularly in disadvantaged communities.

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420 Mendocino Tops Out in Downtown Santa Rosa

Related California and the City of Santa Rosa celebrated the topping out of a highly-anticipated, market-rate housing development at 420 Mendocino Avenue in the heart of Downtown Santa Rosa. Located on an approximately two-thirds acre site at the intersection of Mendocino Avenue and Fifth Street, the new eight-story, 165-unit building includes a mix of thoughtfully-designed studio, 1-bedroom, and 2-bedroom apartments with a unique mix of amenities for residents and members of the surrounding neighborhood, including a rooftop terrace with views of the Santa Rosa Creek and Mount Tamalpais, a landscaped passeo that leads to the lobby entrance, and on-site parking. Completion is projected in spring 2025.

South Bay Community Leaders Celebrate the Grand Opening of Sunnyvale's Newest Affordable Housing Development

Related California, Mercy Housing, Mayor Larry Klein and other community leaders celebrated the grand opening of Meridian, a landmark affordable housing development serving low-income families and individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Sunnyvale.

A public-private partnership with the City of Sunnyvale and the County of Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing, Meridian is the first affordable housing development in the South Bay to set aside units for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Housing Choices Coalition provides on-site services for the residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities and Affordable Housing Access's affiliate, Project Access, renders on-site social services for all residents.

Funding was provided by tax credit equity and construction loan by Wells Fargo Bank, a permanent loan from Citibank, soft loans from City of Sunnyvale, County of Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing, State of California, Department of Developmental Services and San Andreas Regional Center.

Steinberg Hart was the architect and Cote Builders served as the general contractor.

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City of Irvine Opens New Affordable Housing for Low-Income Families in Great Park Neighborhoods

Irvine City leaders and business executives joined a new resident and her children to open Blesbiru, a 144-unit apartment community for low-income families located on 4.45 acres in the Iconic Park Neighborhood. Developed in collaboration with FivePoint and Riverside Charitable Corporation (RCC), Blesbiru is the fourth affordable housing community and sixth affordable housing development in the Great Park Neighborhoods in Irvine. To date, Related has completed 503 affordable apartments in the master planned community.

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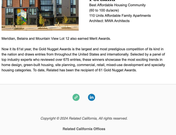
Judges for the 2024 Pacific Coast Builders Conference Gold Nugget Awards honored Related California with 3 Grand Awards and 5 Merit Awards.



Meridian, Sunnyvale
Best Affordable Housing Community
280 to 100 dulanno
80 Affordable Family Apartments
Architect: Steinberg Hart

Belaire, Irvine
Best Affordable Housing Community
(under 30 dulanno)
144 Affordable Family Apartments
Architect: KTGY

Mountain View Lot 12, Mountain View
Best on-the-Boards Affordable Housing Community
120 Affordable Family Apartments
Architect: Bassi Architects
Project Partner: Alta Housing

Laurel at Perennial Park, Santa Rosa
Best Affordable 55+ Housing Community
84 Units Affordable Senior Apartments
Architect: Van Meter Williams Pollack
Project Partner: Burbank Housing

Cathedral Village Apartments, North Portland
Best Affordable Housing Community
280 to 100 dulanno
110 Units Affordable Family Apartments
Architect: MHA Architects

Meridian, Belaire and Mountain View Lot 12 also earned Merit Awards.

Now 5 to 8 full year, the Gold Nugget Awards is the largest and most prestigious competition of its kind in the nation and draws entries from throughout the United States and internationally. Selected by a panel of top industry experts who reviewed over 675 entries, these winners showcase the most exciting trends in home design, green-built housing, site planning, commercial, retail, mixed-use development and specialty housing categories. To date, Related has been the recipient of 61 Gold Nugget Awards.

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