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More Than \$18 Million in State Homekey Funds Awarded for Project in Napa

Burbank Housing's second Homekey project cements commitment to tackling Napa homelessness

Santa Rosa, CA – Feb. 22, 2022 – Burbank Housing and the City of Napa, have been awarded \$18,113,600 in State of California funding through its Project Homekey program. The award will support the creation of 54 permanent supportive housing units, including a manager's unit, at Valley Lodge Apartments (formerly *Wine Valley Lodge*) a former motel at 200 S. Coombs St., along the Napa River, less than 2 miles from downtown in south Napa.

The Valley Lodge Apartments will be owned and operated by Burbank Housing and will be the second Napa Homekey project from the organization. Burbank Housing and the County of Napa were previously granted a Homekey award in 2021 for the acquisition of Adrian Court, an 8-unit apartment community in Napa with residents from the County's Project Roomkey program. The 54 units at Valley Lodge Apartments will provide critically needed housing opportunities for the homeless, including a number of units designated for Transitional-Aged Youth (TAY). In addition to housing, the funds will be utilized to provide on-site wrap-around supportive services and case management by Abode Services, while local Napa-based nonprofit VOICES On the Move will be providing supportive services to the residents of the TAY units. Burbank Housing's President and CEO Larry Florin expressed his appreciation for the award, and the continued support from public partners to invest in meaningful solutions for the community.

"Burbank is very appreciative to the state of California, the City of Napa and the County of Napa for coming together to support this project," said Florin. "We believe that the acquisition of this motel will be transformative to the residents of Napa who are experiencing homelessness."

The acquisition of Valley Lodge Apartments and the partnership with Burbank Housing, is part of the City of Napa's strategy to address homelessness in a comprehensive way that sets up its residents, and city, for future success.

"Thank you to the State and all our partners for recognizing and supporting Napa's commitment to improving the lives of some of the most vulnerable individuals in our community," said Steve Potter, Napa's City Manager. "This is a big step for us, but more housing is just one part of the solution to reduce homelessness in Napa. We know the supportive services offered will be key to positive, long-term change. We will eagerly await the first success stories."



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Started in 2020 as Project Roomkey, the State of California’s Homekey program provides funding to local public entities and nonprofit housing organizations to “convert commercial properties and other existing buildings to Permanent or Interim Housing”.

The project is scheduled to be completed and open by the end of this year.

About Burbank Housing

Burbank Housing is the North Bay’s leading affordable housing nonprofit. For 41 years, the organization has built, preserved, and managed safe, affordable rental and for-sale homes in the North Bay. It currently provides homes to approximately 10,000 people across more than 70 rental communities, and has built 1,000 ownership homes. Burbank Housing also has more than 500 affordable housing units in its predevelopment pipeline.

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