



New Affordable Housing in Town

Built by A Community of Friends, Fullerton Heights, located at 1220 E. Orangethorpe Ave., opened with a ceremony on April 30. The 36-unit, permanent supportive housing community reserves two-thirds of the apartments for formerly homeless individuals and families affected by mental illness, with the remaining one-third for low-income families. The \$18.8 million project includes 18 one-bed, 7 two-bed, and 11 three-bedroom apartments. In addition, Fullerton Heights has attained U.S. Green Building Council LEED Silver certification.

Another new complex, Compass Rose, a 46-unit family affordable rental housing community opened with a ceremony on

May 6. The 1, 2, and 3 bedroom apartments are affordable to those making less than 40% of the area median income.

The complex, at 400 W. Valencia Drive in the Richman Park neighborhood of Fullerton, includes free built-in services for residents and the surrounding Richman Park neighborhood such as the REACH Kids after-school program.

The complex is made up of 10 individual parcels that have been merged into five lots. At the center of these separate buildings is a spacious community center with management offices, recreational space, and kitchen facilities, and an outdoor space with picnic tables, barbecues, and a tot lot – all for use by the residents.

At Right:
*Fullerton Heights
on Orangethorpe.*

At Left:
*Compass Rose
on Valencia.*

Below:
*The 12-home Habitat
for Humanity project
under construction.*

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The builder Jamboree Housing's commitment to building green helps lower energy consumption, and in the process, creates additional cost savings for residents with energy-efficient appliances and lighting plus water efficient plumbing. Each residential building has its own laundry facility.

Working with other community partners like St. Jude Neighborhood Health Center and CSUF's Center for Healthy Neighborhoods, Jamboree Community Impact Group will provide onsite wellness classes focused on improving the emotional and physical well being of residents and the community.

At the opening ceremony Mayor Jesus Silva thanked Jamboree, the city staff and partners and said that "Quality affordable housing can truly revitalize a community."

Laura Archuleta, Jamboree President and CEO thanked the city for working with her company and noted that "Affordable housing is still possible in a post-redevelopment world when the political will of a city is present." Jamboree is an award-winning nonprofit



development company that develops and manages permanently affordable rental and ownership housing throughout the state. Financing for the \$23.3 million development includes a \$9.7 million city loan, \$10.7 million in tax credit equity invested by Union Bank, \$2.2 million in permanent financing and \$12.3 million in construction financing by Union Bank.

Next door to Compass Rose is another new affordable project being built by Habitat for Humanity. That project, under construction, is in partnership with the City of Fullerton and community volunteers and will include 12 affordable, energy efficient homes.

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