

# VENTURA COUNTY CONTINUUM OF CARE

## *Chronicle*

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### NEW PERMANENT HOUSING PROJECTS BEING FILLED THROUGHOUT VENTURA COUNTY!

- Casa Aliento
- Ventura Springs
- Central Terrace
- Valentine Road Apartments
- MESA
- CASA Pacifica

### HUNGER AND HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS WEEK NOVEMBER 17-22



Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is an annual initiative that highlights the pressing issues of hunger and homelessness. This week will feature educational, service, fundraising, and advocacy events aimed at raising awareness and generating support for local anti-poverty agencies.

With thousands of individuals experiencing homelessness in Ventura County, this week serves as a vital reminder of the importance of community action and support.

# Casa Aliento

## OXNARD, CALIFORNIA



Casa Aliento is a two-story, 70-unit housing community in Oxnard, CA, which previously operated as a non-congregate shelter and has been transitioned into permanent supportive housing for individuals facing extreme low-income or homelessness, as well as those at risk of becoming homeless.



CDP partnered with Mercy House, the Ventura County Health Care Agency, the County of Ventura Human Services Agency, and Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) on this project. As the supportive services provider, Mercy House offers comprehensive resources and amenities at Casa Aliento, prioritizing those most impacted by COVID-19 and individuals with mental disabilities, creating a stable, supportive community.

**Casa  
Aliento**



# Ventura Springs VETERAN HOUSING

Ventura Springs, is a new residential community designed for formerly homeless veterans, as well as low-income veterans and their families.



The neighborhood will feature 122 apartments spread across 11 buildings, blending two-story walk-ups with two three-story structures. Additionally, the development will offer a variety of on-site amenities to support the well-being of its veteran residents and their families.

Developed in partnership with A Community of Friends and U.S. Vets, the project provides veterans with essential support, including on-site case management, clinical services, and access to a community center equipped with computers for job searches.



VETERAN ONE TEAM

# Central Terrace OXNARD, CALIFORNIA

The Central Terrace Apartments, a new affordable housing project in Downtown Oxnard, has transformed an underutilized and often-blighted property into a vibrant community hub. Designed to support low-income individuals, including units set aside for formerly homeless households, Central Terrace provides 86 affordable one-bedroom units and one unrestricted two-bedroom manager's unit.



Additionally, going beyond housing Many Mansions will add a pocket park, along with amenities like a gathering room, on-site laundry, and BBQ area. Supported by AHSC, the City of Oxnard, and other partners, the project will bring essential infrastructure improvements, including bike lanes, upgrades to the 4th Street corridor, and enhancements to the 4th and B Street transit hub. AHSC grants will also fund 42 electric vans for farmworker programs, expanding transit options and building a more walkable, connected community in Downtown Oxnard.





# Valentine Road VENTURA, CALIFORNIA

Previously operating as the La Quinta Inn on Valentine Road, this site has been transformed into 134 studio apartments, providing permanent housing for individuals experiencing homelessness. The development features a variety of amenities, including shared common areas, a community garden, on-site supportive services, and a lobby designed to accommodate community gatherings and events.



## DOCUMENTATION CLINIC TO PREPARE CLIENTS FOR MATCHING

**Thank you to our partners for making the documentation clinic possible!**

- Ventura Best Western
- Ventura Vagabond
- Downtown Ventura Partners
- United Way of Ventura County
- Housing Authority of San Buenaventura
- Ventura County Whole Person Care
- Gold Coast Veterans Foundation
- Salvation Army Supportive Services for Veteran Families



# MESA - Transitional Housing FOR TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH

MESA's transitional housing and wellness space is located on a 10-acre farm in the Ojai Valley, offers participants the opportunity to explore the healing benefits of connecting with nature and the therapeutic value of regenerative agriculture.

Mesa works with young adults aged 18-24 who are experiencing homelessness by cultivating opportunities for personal growth and stability. Their approach targets the root causes of housing insecurity, delivering proactive and sustainable solutions tailored to the needs of this vulnerable population.



The tiny home community provides privacy and connection, with participants residing in newly built tiny homes surrounding a central residence. This design creates a safe and supportive environment, allowing young adults to experience personal independence alongside community, growth and long-term stability.



# Casa Pacifica

## Stepping-Stones Transitional Housing

Casa Pacifica's Transitional Youth Services (TYS) program empowers young adults ages 18 to 25 by providing the stability and resources needed for a successful transition to adulthood. Established in 2007, YYS supports former foster youth, probation youth, and young people experiencing or at risk of homelessness with safe housing, mental health care, educational assistance, and life skills training. Through strong support networks and individualized services, YYS helps youth build the foundation for a brighter future.



### Key Services and Benefits:

- Safe housing options with resident advisers
- Case management and service coordination
- Mental health services and health care
- Educational support, including scholarships
- Employment help & financial literacy training
- Life skills training, including parenting support
- Peer-to-peer support and guidance
- Identification recovery assistance



# UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS!

## Save the Date! - 2025 Point in Time Count

Wednesday, January 22nd, 2025

### Call for Volunteers!

Register at: [ventura25.pointintime.info](http://ventura25.pointintime.info)

## Shared Housing Workgroup meeting

December 12, 2024

1-2:30pm

## VC CoC Data Committee

December 18, 2024

10-11:30am

## VC CoC Board Meeting

January 8, 2025

2-3:30pm

## CoC Alliance meeting

Jan. 16 at 10:30-noon

## An Evening with the CoC Coming Soon

*Meeting links or locations are provided on the CoC website calendar at [VenturaCoC.org](http://VenturaCoC.org)*

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A special thank you to all our community partners for making these housing opportunities possible and for serving those most vulnerable in our community. We thank you for your ongoing commitment to preventing and ending homelessness in Ventura County.



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