



**HOUSING  
CRISIS  
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MARIN COUNTY

## HOUSING CRISIS ACTION

...To Create, Build, and Preserve Much-Needed Housing in Marin County

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San Rafael City Council  
1400 Fifth Avenue  
San Rafael, CA 94901

Dear Mayor Phillips and Councilmembers:

On behalf of Housing Crisis Action (HCA), a robust network of over 500 Marin housing advocates and 17 organizations working to tackle our housing crisis, we urge you to support approving a Housing Trust Fund Grant to the County of Marin for the affordable supportive housing development at 3301 Kerner Boulevard.

We support this project because it could provide 44 units for people to call home that are permanent and affordable. Funding 3301 Kerner gives us a chance to continue to address chronic homelessness swiftly by utilizing an existing building and prioritizing housing our most at-risk adults, children, and families. This site would help accelerate the success of our Coordinated Entry System, which has housed nearly 300 of our community's most vulnerable, chronically homeless people over the last three years. It will also help San Rafael meet its very low-income RHNA allocations through an exemplary collaboration with the County and the State's Project Homekey program. If we do not move forward, we miss the opportunity to utilize millions in state funding to address our housing crisis.

As a group of business leaders, city planners, union workers, environmental advocates, public servants, and educators, living and working in Marin, we stand for those who are housed, under-housed, and homeless. Due to the lack of affordable housing and the financial impacts of COVID-19, we are more pressed than ever before to support our community members that need shelter. These individuals and families are our neighbors, friends, family, co-workers, and vital members of our community. This effort would help prevent the spread of coronavirus. Housing serves as preventative medicine—it is essential during times of calm and even more during a pandemic.

Sincerely,

The Housing Crisis Action Steering Committee

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