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# City of San Rafael

## 2023-2031 Housing Element

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## Land Acknowledgment

*A Land Acknowledgment is a formal statement that recognizes the history and legacy of colonialism that impacted Indigenous Peoples, their traditional territories, and practices. It is a simple, powerful way of showing respect and a step toward correcting past practices and honoring truth.*

*The place we now call San Rafael is located on the traditional lands of the Coast Miwok people. We acknowledge the Coast Miwok People with respect and reverence. We express our gratitude for their generations of stewardship while not forgetting the colonization of this land.*

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