



## Motel Conversion to Create Affordable and Transitional Housing

Clara Gardens at 3555 El Camino Real, will be a rental community with 120 deeply affordable rental apartments in Santa Clara. The proposed development will consist of the renovation of an existing 2-story motel and the development of a new 7-story building. Once completed, the development will have 43 renovated units and 77 newly constructed apartments.

Located along El Camino Real, a commercial thoroughfare, the development will provide residents access to a variety of local and regional amenities. The property will provide a mix of studios, 1-bedrooms, 2-bedrooms and 3-bedrooms for low-income households. 25% of units will be set-aside for formerly homeless individuals and families. The development will have two multi-purpose community rooms, two exterior courtyards, and offices for property management and resident services.

### Design Features

- Strong professional on-site services
- 1,200 s.f. ground floor commercial space
- Common outdoor spaces including tot lot and terrace
- Third floor roof deck
- 3 level parking stackers with pits

### Green Features

- Landscape streetscape buffer
- 120 bike storage
- Tot lot outside communal laundry
- Extensive solar array

**Client:** [RCD Housing](#)

**Site Area:** Existing motel 17,020 S.F.  
New building 101,560 S.F.

**Density:** Total 120 units  
Existing motel 43 units  
New building 77 units

**Completion:** 2024

**Construction est.:** Winter 2023

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