



VIVALON HEALTHY AGING CAMPUS & SENIOR HOUSING

SAN RAFAEL, CA

Committing to Marin’s Seniors: Affordable Housing and Services

Client: [EDEN Housing](#) and [Vivalon](#) (formerly Whistlestop)

Architect: [VMWP](#)

Interior Architect for Healthy Aging Campus: MBH

Site Area: 15,000 sq. ft.

Density: 67 units - 194 DUA

Completion: Winter 2023

Construction est.: \$28M

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This new mixed-use senior center, located on the corner of Third and Brooks Street, provides affordable housing to low-, very low-income, and formerly homeless seniors. The building integrates high-quality amenities including a community room and kitchen, residential courtyard for gatherings and gardening, a multipurpose room and exercise room, central laundry facility, and two roof decks offering expansive views of Mt. Tam and Downtown San Rafael. The first and second floors house Vivalon’s extensive services program for the Marin Senior Community, a new cafe, auditorium, classrooms, service offices and a clinic as part of its Healthy Aging Campus.

Vivalon has partnered with Eden Housing to help realize their vision for a new facility that includes 67 units of onsite affordable senior housing to complement its Healthy Aging Campus. This new development allows a highly respected and admired local non-profit organization to continue serving Marin County and become a symbol of San Rafael’s commitment to their seniors.

Design Features

- Contemporary design with traditional building form
- Residential courtyard with gardening planters
- Two roof decks with views of San Rafael and Mt. Tam
- Arcaded main entry
- Green walls at the stair towers

Green and Resiliency Features

- Extensive use of photovoltaic panels
- Energy efficient appliances
- Recycled materials with low VOC content
- Reduced irrigation water use
- GreenPoint Rated Gold
- Car-free community with direct transit access
- Battery Storage for arbitrage & backup power
- Emergency backup power generator connections

