



City of Placentia Press Release

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RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY HELD FOR 'SANTA ANGELINA' AFFORDABLE SENIOR LIVING COMMUNITY

PLACENTIA, CA – In partnership with National CORE, the City of Placentia celebrated a ribbon cutting for a new 65-apartment affordable senior living apartment community called "Santa Angelina," located on property owned and operated by the Church of the Blessed Sacrament located at 1314 N. Angelina Ave. in Placentia.

"Santa Angelina is providing 65 much-needed homes and services to help ensure the security and well-being of our senior population, and I look forward to welcoming new residents to Placentia. This development highlights the City's commitment to creating affordable, quality housing options and services for all our residents," Council Member Ward Smith said.

In partnership with the church, National CORE – which developed and will now operate the senior housing development – spearheaded the transformation of the church campus into two, two-story residential buildings providing age-restricted rental housing for individuals 62 years of age or older who earn less than 60% of the area median income. Twenty-one apartment homes are reserved as permanent supportive housing for unhoused seniors or those at risk of becoming unhoused.

Residents of Santa Angelina will belong to an engaged, service-enriched village linked to the adjacent church and surrounding community through a network of paseos, plazas, and courtyards. In addition, a new 1,500-square-foot community center will serve as a hub for events, supportive services, and programs. Other amenities include laundry facilities and outdoor recreation space.

"Santa Angelina represents a significant milestone in our ongoing efforts to address the pressing need for affordable housing in our community," City Administrator Damien Arrula said. "This development not only provides essential homes but also fosters a sense of community and support for our senior population, reflecting our commitment to ensuring a fulfilling quality of life for all our residents."

"Santa Angelina is a testament to how a community can come together to create a remarkable resource for our most vulnerable residents," National CORE President Michael Ruane said. "These new homes not only provide a safe, stable home, but they also benefit from having the established church community literally at their center."

Santa Angelina was one of the first communities in the state to receive California Housing Accelerator Funding. Launched in 2021 by the California Department of Housing and Community Development, the California Housing Accelerator is meant to fast-track affordable housing developments that have been stalled by the cap on state tax credits and bonds.

For more information on the Santa Angelina Development, please visit www.nationalcore.org/santaangelina. For more information on developments in the City of Placentia, contact (714) 993-8124.

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