

CARITAS VILLAGE

Shirley Chealhome <chealhome@gmail.com>

Tue 7/28/2020 10:48 AM

To: John Pavik <jpavik@srcharities.org>

Dear Santa Rosa Design Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

We are Shirley and Bob Cheal and we have been an advocate for those experiencing homelessness for many years.

Caritas Village will provide needed affordable housing and services for those folks who are in great need.

While wanting to preserve the architecture of our town, we feel helping people get housed and get services MUST be a priority.

Nobody likes 'the 'ugliness' of folks living on the streets and under the freeways- many just complain and turn their heads away. This village will enhance the quality of life in the neighborhood and the quality of life for those who will be supported.

You must vote with your hearts, Catholic Charities needs the support of the board members.

Please do all you can to expedite the review process.

Shirley and Bob Cheal
Chealhome@gmail.com

Homeless MinistriesTask Force
First United Methodists Church of Santa Rosa
Sent from my iPad...

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Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

My name is Lydia Nicholson and I urge you to support the approval of Caritas Village. Our county, city, and neighborhoods are facing real crises of homelessness, and housing. Caritas Village is a worthwhile step towards improving quality of life for all and must take priority over “historical” considerations.

I live in Windsor and I appreciate the important work that Catholic Charities does for all those in need meeting the needs of children and adults experiencing homelessness, and even more importantly, to make sure they find permanent housing as quickly as possible.

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Thank you for your time.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lydia Nicholson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lydia Nicholson

August 4, 2020

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

My name is Sharon McCarty and I urge you to support the approval of Caritas Village. Our county, city, and neighborhoods are facing real crises of homelessness, and housing. Caritas Village is a worthwhile step towards improving quality of life for all and must take priority over "historical" considerations.

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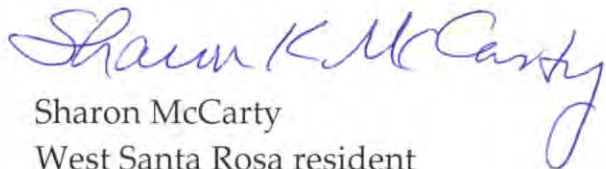
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With gratitude,


Sharon McCarty
West Santa Rosa resident

July 31, 2020

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board

I am writing to you regarding the proposed Caritas Village downtown near the Santa Rosa Plaza. Since 1992 I have volunteered to help the homeless men, women, and children in Marin, Petaluma, and Santa Rosa, and I have never seen such a beautiful, well planned facility as Caritas Village.

Catholic Charities has done a great job providing shelter and other services for those without shelter in our community, but from all the camps we have seen around town, it is obvious we need more beds and services for these men, women, and children. I understand Caritas Village will double the number of people who find housing each year. That is a wonderful thing to do.

I worked at Macy's next door to the current neighborhood, and I became very concerned for the people who lived in that area. Caritas Village will be a huge improvement to that area AND it will help so many people get back on their feet.

Thank you for your consideration of this wonderful project.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard McIntosh". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "R" at the beginning.

Richard (Tosh) McIntosh

351 Belhaven Circle, Santa Rosa, California 95409



8th Wave
6 W 9th Street
Santa Rosa, Ca 95401

RE: Caritas Village Project

I'm a business owner at 6 W 9th Street, and a homeowner not far away on Clover Dr. Homelessness is a critical issue in our community, one that is terminally underserved by public and private efforts. One of the reasons it's underserved is because of the difficulty involved in getting any additional services approved anywhere in the city. In this case, protecting historic resources seems to be the most likely palatable reason to deny yet another project design to help our most at-risk citizens.

Protection for historic resources gained ground during the large scale "urban renewal" ethos of the 50's and 60's. At the time, there was a crisis of wholesale destruction of historic buildings and neighborhoods, the protections that were enacted were largely successful. However, that crisis has passed, and we are faced with a greater crisis, the crisis of housing affordability and homelessness. A tool which helped solve one crisis is now being used to exacerbate another.

Carita Village is well designed for its purpose, well-situated for those who need it, and the services it will provide are long overdue. To deny this project continues the pattern of doing nothing and hope things improve. We, as a community, need this project.

As a longtime member of this community, and a business owner in the neighborhood, I am a fully committed supporter of this project.

Scott Johnson

Caritas Village

carol uschyk <cuschyk@hotmail.com>

Tue 8/4/2020 4:35 PM

To: John Pavik <jpavik@srcharities.org>

We support your new building to help the poor and needy families. These apartments are needed to help those hit the hardest with this virus which has impacted all of us. God bless your efforts for this charitable effort!

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Dear Santa Rosa Cultural Heritage Board and Design Review Board:

As a faith leader in downtown Santa Rosa, I am writing to express my support for the Caritas Village Project. As all of us know, homelessness presents a crisis for our community. Of our neighbors who are experiencing homelessness, 85% of them lived here in Sonoma County before losing their housing. I spend time regularly with unhoused members of our community: some are members of my congregation, some are guests at our Sunday morning breakfast program (which remains active, using a meals-to-go format, during this time of pandemic). While I'm proud to be part of a faith community that actively cares for our neighbors, nothing can solve the underlying problem of homelessness except actually providing affordable homes for those who need them.

Caritas Village is a major step toward remedying this situation. It includes a housing-focused service center, an emergency family shelter, and 128 units of permanent affordable housing for those in need. It will replace Catholic Charities' aging facilities on Morgan and A Streets, which currently serve 2,000 people a year.

I hope you will support this important project. Our county's spirits, and our housing supply, have been hit hard in these past three years. But projects like Caritas Village can help us continue to rebuild, rebound, and grow even stronger.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen R. Shaver +". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

The Rev. Dr. Stephen R. Shaver
Rector, Episcopal Church of the Incarnation

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,
My name is Connie Pearson, and I urge you to support the approval of Caritas Village. Our county, city, and neighborhoods are facing real crises of homelessness, and housing. Caritas Village is a worthwhile step towards improving quality of life for all and must take priority over "historical" considerations.

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With gratitude,

Connie Pearson

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Greg Dabel <gregdabel@hotmail.com>

Mon 7/27/2020 3:39 PM

To: Toomians, Kristinae



Strong objections to parking reduction for the project! Based on the daycare and 126 residential units.... there are far too few parking places.

The parking requirement for new construction in the neighborhood is a minimum one parking spot for each residential unit.

My renters around the corner at 429 Eighth Street already struggle to find street parking. Please don't exacerbate the problem.

Greg Dabel

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Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

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With gratitude,

David Del Castillo
6150 Lockwood Drive
Windsor, CA 95492

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With gratitude,

Gail Outlaw
2107 Bedford Street
Santa Rosa, CA 95404
gtoutlaw@live.com
(707) 542-1083

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

My name is *Jeanette Larson* and I urge you to support the approval of Caritas Village. Our county, city, and neighborhoods are facing real crises of homelessness, and housing. Caritas Village is a worthwhile step towards improving quality of life for all and must take priority over “historical” considerations.

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Let Santa Rosa be part of the solution not part of the problem.

Thank you for your time.

With gratitude,

Jeanette Larson

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Shady Oak Place, Santa Rosa

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

My name is Chris N. Dugas and I urge you to support the approval of Caritas Village. Our county, city, and neighborhoods are facing real crises of homelessness, and housing. Caritas Village is a worthwhile step towards improving quality of life for all and must take priority over "historical" considerations.

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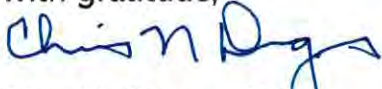
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With gratitude,



Chris N. Dugas, CHC
Sr. Project Manager-Healthcare
Montgomery Corporation

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

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With gratitude,

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Erica Vogel

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

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With gratitude,

Trevelyon Williams

Caritas Village

Lynda Tatrai <cyberchick6@gmail.com>

Fri 7/31/2020 11:33 AM

To: John Pavik <jpavik@srcharities.org>

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

My name is Lynda Tatrai and I urge you to support the approval of Caritas Village. Our county, city, and neighborhoods are facing real crises of homelessness, and housing. Caritas Village is a worthwhile step towards improving quality of life for all and must take priority over “historical” considerations.

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With gratitude,
Lynda Tatrai
Sonoma County

Sent from my iPhone

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With gratitude,

Sharon Vanden Heuvel

Sharon Vanden Heuvel

sharonkvh@gmail.com

Support letter

Loretta Zweig <lorettazw@gmail.com>

Tue 7/28/2020 7:44 AM

To: John Pavik <jpavik@srcharities.org>

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

I am writing in support of Caritas Village.

I have been very impressed with the work Catholic Charities has done in our community helping those in need.

I think we should support this plan to build a facility designed specifically for its intended use.

Thank you,

Dr. Loretta Zweig

130 Elaine Drive Santa Rosa CA 95409

707 321-1922

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Chris Larsen <clarsen@cvlarsen.com>

Tue 7/28/2020 1:02 PM

To: Toomians, Kristinae



Mrs. Toomians,

I am writing to request the City Of Santa Rosa deny the request to build Caritas Village on Morgan St in Santa Rosa. I am also requesting no further historic buildings be substantially altered or demolished in support of this project, as well as mitigation of the structures that have been demolished in support of this project.

I own property on Morgan St. In the past decade, Catholic Charities has not complied with the permit requirements for the operations of the Homeless Services Center and when requested that they do so, they ignore the many written and verbal requests from the neighboring property owners. A review of the lengthy permit requirements as well as the police activity logs for the St. Rose Historic neighborhood clearly documents the constant and blatant disregard for the agreed upon conditions.

I am a Catholic and have supported Catholic Charities in the St Rose neighborhood for a long time. I stopped my support of this group in this area after Catholic Charities refused to comply or even attempt to comply with the use permit requirements for the existing facility at 600 Morgan St. Catholic Charities refuses to answer Emails, phone calls or meet in person to address the overwhelming problems their clients cause the St. Rose Historic Neighborhood. I no longer stop by the facility, in person, to discuss the problems and request resolution as this has led to violent acts from the homeless/mentally ill/chronically drug addicted clientele toward me.

For 17 years it has been a common problem of mentally ill, and chronically drug addicted people wandering the neighborhood, trespassing on private property, defecating and urinating on our property leaving biohazard trash such as used toilet paper and used syringes and drug paraphernalia. This has caused unsafe living conditions for the property owners and tenants. A review of the police logs shows that crime and complaints, caused by Catholic Charities clientele, is extremely high, extremely frequent and the activities are extremely disturbing.

The St. Rose Historic Neighborhood was established to support the revitalization of the historic homes, remove the blight and decay and to re-establish this neighborhood as a safe and viable area for much needed family housing! It was meant to encourage the preservation of late 19th century and early 20th century architecture that is significant to the citizens of Santa Rosa.

Per the CEQA review requirements, I request a complete review of the police logs from 2010 to current as well as the City maintenance logs from 2010 to current. Both of these documents document that the commercial activity of Catholic Charities has caused personal harm to property owners and tenants in the adjacent area, including felony assault, battery, attempted murder, theft, vandalism, drug trafficking, and prostitution. The environmental impacts include Class 1 biohazard waste, property destruction, vandalism and destruction of property. These significant crimes against property owners, private property and the environment are criminal.

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

My name is Merry Edwards. My husband and I are retired winery and vineyard owners in Sonoma County and now own several business properties in Santa Rosa. Recently I joined the Board of Catholic Charities specifically to help raise funds for this innovative project – The Caritas Village.

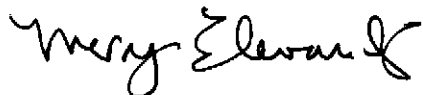
I urge you to support the approval of Caritas Village. Catholic Charities has been a leader in finding solutions to end homelessness in our community. This project will be a huge step forward and is backed by major donors, businesses and individuals in our county. Unlike Seattle, LA and SF, where homelessness is exploding, we are actually reducing the numbers by creating stable homes for these folks.

We need to stop the circle of life on the street, to temporary shelters and back to the street. Catholic Charities has housed 1800 homeless individuals in the past three years with an 85% success rate. The integrated services available through this new facility - aligned with Burbank Housing's low-income apartments on the same city block – should allow for a doubling of that success rate.

In this case, “historical” considerations need to be set aside. Who can consider the current site of Catholic Charities' Family Support Center in a 104-year-old former hospital along with the run-down homes on this block to be more important than facing and solving our housing and homeless crisis? Providing improved services and affordable housing must take priority.

This new Caritas Center has been years in the planning. Now is the time to bring it to life. It will not only enhance the lives of the people we are helping, but will also enhance the quality of life in the neighborhoods where we live and work.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Merry Edwards".

Merry Edwards
maedwards@sonic.net
submitted: 7.30.20

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

My name is Mistry Lujan and I urge you to support the approval of Caritas Village. Our county, city, and neighborhoods are facing real crises of homelessness, and housing. Caritas Village is a worthwhile step towards improving quality of life for all and must take priority over “historical” considerations.

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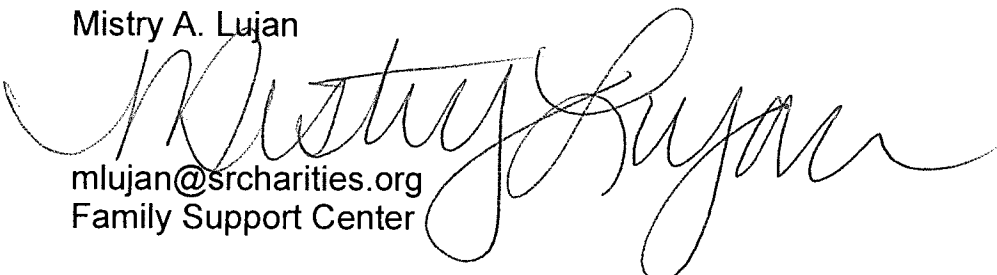
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With gratitude,

Mistry A. Lujan


mlujan@srcharities.org
Family Support Center

Address:

Notes:

We haven't had too many experiences and mostly just understand they need more options. Hoping this helps!

Signature/Date: *Kenn N. Green 2/22/20*

**Dear Santa Rosa Planning Commissioners/ City Council Members, Cultural Heritage Board,
Design Review Board**

I urge you to support this vital project.

I have lived at 224 10th St. for 13 years, and am a part of the St. Rose/ West End Neighborhood. I appreciate the important work that Catholic Charities does in my neighborhood to meet the basic needs of children and adults experiencing homelessness, and even more importantly, to make sure they find permanent housing as quickly as possible.

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Address:

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I want as much consideration as possible given to the historic bungalows and apartment building before demolition. This could mean moving them elsewhere or placing them in a different place on the plot.

Rosalie Sulgit-Shay

Signature/Date:

Rosalie Sulgit-Shay 2/19/20

Dear Santa Rosa Planning Commissioners/ City Council Members, Cultural Heritage Board, Design Review Board

I urge you to support this vital project.

I have lived at 231 10th St. ^{most of the past} for 42 years, and am a part of the St. Rose/ West End Neighborhood. I appreciate the important work that Catholic Charities does in my neighborhood to meet the basic needs of children and adults experiencing homelessness, and even more importantly, to make sure they find permanent housing as quickly as possible.

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Caritas Village

Samantha Feld
408 8th Street
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

March 3, 2020

I own a home on 8th Street, between A and B, around the corner from the proposed site of Caritas Village. I am also employed by Sonoma County and am very familiar with the housing, mental health, and substance use crises our community faces. I have reviewed the plans and followed the progress of the project over the last several months, and I am excited, inspired by, and hopeful for what Caritas Village offers our community. Our community is in desperate need of comprehensive support services and housing for individuals and families experiencing and at risk of homelessness. Caritas Village offers a solution to one of our community's most pressing problems; I hope the City Council will act and be part of the solution.

With respect to how this development may impact our historic district, I have reviewed the plans and I find the designs to be tasteful and attractive. I would welcome the new buildings, particularly in contrast to the current facilities. As a homeowner in the St. Rose neighborhood I strongly support the higher density and mixed use designation, which I believe can foster a more vibrant downtown community and address environmental concerns.

Thank you for you considering my input. Feel free to reach out with any further questions.

Sincerely,

Samantha Feld, MPH
sami.feld@gmail.com
(415) 601-0006

Address:

931 Washington St
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Notes:

Signature/Date:



2/22/20

**Dear Santa Rosa Planning Commissioners/ City Council Members, Cultural Heritage Board,
Design Review Board**

I urge you to support this vital project.

I have lived at 931 Washington St for 1 years, and am a part of the St. Rose/ West End Neighborhood. I appreciate the important work that Catholic Charities does in my neighborhood to meet the basic needs of children and adults experiencing homelessness, and even more importantly, to make sure they find permanent housing as quickly as possible.

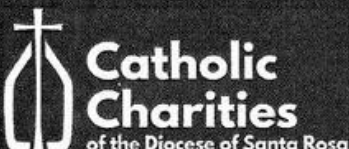
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Caritas Village

Jen & David Kuszmar <jenkmar@gmail.com>
Thu 2/27/2020 10:02 AM

**508 A Street
Santa Rosa, CA 95401**

Hello, my name is Jennifer Kuszmar.

We have been living at the little house at the corner of 7th and A for nearly 6 years. We love living in close proximity to downtown Santa Rosa and enjoy being able to go out to dinner, happy hour or a movie without having to get in our car.

Living across the intersection for Catholic Charities, we have seen from a short distance the number of people that they serve with many more in need sleeping in their cars, or on the street nearby. We are grateful for the leadership that Catholic Charities has taken in helping families and individuals in need, but there is clearly so much more to work to do.

We have witnessed firsthand the limitations of their current facilities which are outdated and no longer work well to provide services to those in need. We have seen children getting ready for school outside on frigid mornings after sleeping in a vehicle because there was not room at the current location to house them or their parents.

We support the Caritas Village project because it will allow Catholic Charities to help twice as many people find a place to call home.

This new facility will provide increase privacy for those seeking services, as well as improved safety and security for staff, neighbors, and the community. The end result will be that more people are permanently housed and more are provide desperately needed services.

As **neighbors** to the project we look forward to additional benefits including improved pedestrian safety with improved sidewalks and safety lighting.


I urge you to support this vital project. Our county, city, and neighborhoods are facing real crisis of homelessness, and housing. Caritas Village is a worthwhile step towards improving quality of life for all.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Kuszmar

Address:

Notes: As CC's closest resident to the future Caritas Village, I support the construction. That said, once built and established, thereby alleviating some homelessness in our community, I see no reason why there'd be anymore of the rampant loitering, littering, car repair, drug dealing, etc. on Morgan St. which continues to this day. Thank you.

Signature/Date:  2/24/2020 P.S. My concern to those that would approve the construction, begs the question: if CC → over

**Dear Santa Rosa Planning Commissioners/ City Council Members,
Cultural Heritage Board, and Design Review Board**

I urge you to support this vital project.

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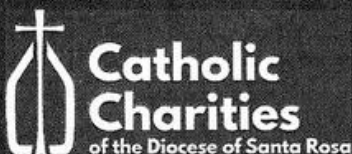
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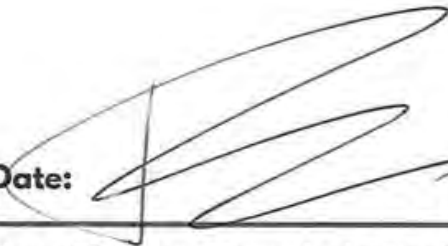
Does not adhere to or violates any agreements, contracts
"good neighbor" policies, etc., what is the way of consequences
(e.g. fines, loss of contract, etc) will be levied?

Address:

Notes:

See Letter

Signature/Date:



ROBYN CLEAVES

23 Feb 2020

Dear Santa Rosa Planning Commissioners/ City Council Members,

I urge you to support this vital project.

I have lived at 730 Morgan for 4.5 years, and am a part of the St. Rose/ West End Neighborhood. I appreciate the important work that Catholic Charities does in my neighborhood to meet the basic needs of children and adults experiencing homelessness, and even more importantly, to make sure they find permanent housing as quickly as possible.

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I have lived in the St. Rose neighborhood for nearly six years, right on Morgan Street the next block over from Catholic Charities. I urge our elected officials to take balanced approach when assessing the negative voices in St. Rose who enjoy antagonizing downtown compassionate service providers.

I love this neighborhood and do not experience anything like the alleged siege on neighbors you hear too much about. Sometimes I feel like I live in a different neighborhood from those who complain endlessly about the disadvantaged among us.

We live downtown, right next to a freeway. Not all problems can be pinned on shelters. And if I do have issues that may be shelter-related (rarely), the service providers have always responded immediately. None of the naysayers want to talk about that. I'm proactive and their staff members have met me with the same courtesy.

Particularly John Pavik responds within just a few hours any time and has reshaped how Catholic Charities responds to concerns. He is committed to this for the longterm - now and after Caritas is built.

I am sure you've received lots of nasty letters from neighbors - I guarantee you most of those folks have never actually tried to connect with John or other Catholic Charities staff. I wish my neighbors would try before voicing opposition to this worthwhile Caritas Village project.

Robyn Cleaves
730 Morgan Street, Santa Rosa

Caritas Housing

Janice Lon <janlonny@gmail.com>

Tue 7/28/2020 7:50 AM

To: John Pavik <jpavik@srcharities.org>

Hello,

I am a West End homeowner who is in full support of the affordable housing plans of Catholic Charity.

A person just driving or walking through our town can readily observe the need.

Please without further delay speed up the process for getting this worthy project started and completed .

Thank you,

Janice Kane

317 Decker St

Santa Rosa

Sent from my iPhone

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Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

My wife and I urge you to support the approval of Caritas Village. Our county, city, and neighborhoods are facing real crises of homelessness, and housing. Caritas Village is a worthwhile step towards improving quality of life for all and must take priority over “historical” considerations.

We live in Santa Rosa and have long supported the important work that Catholic Charities does in our town to meet the basic needs of children and adults experiencing homelessness, and even more importantly, to make sure they find permanent housing as quickly as possible.

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Thank you for your time and efforts on behalf of our community.

Noel Lyons and Jacala Kinney
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CAO



August 4, 2020

City of Santa Rosa Cultural Heritage Board and Design Review Board

Sent via email

Re: Support for the Caritas Village Project

Dear Santa Rosa Cultural Heritage and Design Review Board Members,

North Bay Leadership Council would like to share our wholehearted support of the Caritas Village project. We urge you to move this critical project forward. The North Bay Leadership Council is a public policy advocacy organization comprised of the leading employers of Marin, Sonoma, and Napa counties. Our top issue is housing. We recognize the urgent need for housing in our community.

Homelessness and housing are the two biggest issues currently facing Sonoma county. In 2016, Santa Rosa declared homelessness a state of emergency and in July 2018, Sonoma County did the same. Catastrophic wildfires that destroyed nearly 5,300 homes worsened the crisis. Currently, almost 3,000 people in Sonoma County face homelessness daily, 2,000 of whom are unsheltered. Caritas Village addresses the crisis in innovative ways.

Rents in Sonoma County are unaffordable across income levels; the fires have magnified this issue tremendously. Nearly half of renters pay 30 percent or more of their income on rent. Therefore, affordable housing has never been more crucial for our communities.

Caritas Village will be an enormous help in alleviating current housing issues. It will provide 128 much-needed affordable homes, and residents will be able to access a menu of services that will help kids, adults, and elders realize a brighter future support a vibrant community. This is an unprecedented opportunity to provide more substantial resources to parents, veterans, retirees, and others who deeply need our help. It would be a dramatic improvement to the neighborhood.

Burbank Housing and Catholic Charities are leaders in their respective fields. Forming a partnership like Caritas Village allows both nonprofits to enhance their efforts. Caritas Village is a necessary step towards alleviating some of our biggest community issues and building a stronger Santa Rosa and Sonoma County together.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Murray
President & CEO

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S Larsen <bigskyhorse@hotmail.com>

Tue 7/28/2020 10:41 AM

To: Toomians, Kristinae



I have owned a home on Morgan St. since 2003. I have had nothing but problems with chronic homeless people who need mental health and drug addicon tr eatment but refuse it. It is my VERY strong opinion, and always has been, that this historic neighborhood is the absolute WRONG locaon f or ANY homeless services. Please do not allow Catholic Charies or Burbank Housing to create even more homeless services on Morgan St. This whole homeless problem will never go away and it needs to be accepted. A central locaon, a way from private residences, needs to be established. There are other opons if the po wers that be would only realize that being away from private residences is a MAJOR CRITERIA.

Thank you,

Shauna Larsen
750 Morgan St.
Santa Rosa CA 95401

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Caritas Village

S.B.Pettigrew <sophieb@sonic.net>

Tue 8/4/2020 4:46 PM

To: John Pavik <jpavik@srcharities.org>

I support Caritas Village.

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Tim Stafford
2114 Beverly Way
Santa Rosa, CA 95404
707 526 5902
timnpopie@gmail.com

August 4, 2020

Dear Santa Rosa Design Review Board and Cultural Heritage Board,

I'm writing to urge you to approve the Caritas Village. I've lived in Santa Rosa for almost 40 years, and I've seen our problems with homelessness grow. It's become not just a problem for individuals and families; it's become a crisis for our whole community. I believe Caritas Village is a well-thought-out project backed by an excellent organization, one that has a great deal of experience helping people in need. In my book, the need for this project overcomes any objections about preserving the neighborhood's history.

I serve as a volunteer with the Redwood Gospel Mission, so I am well familiar with the impact of homelessness on the downtown area. The neighborhood has carried the weight of it for many years. I don't believe it will help the neighborhood—of our city—to leave things as they are. On the contrary, the best hope is a well-designed, well-operated facility that offers services to those in need. It should make the neighborhood and safer and more walkable. I support the Caritas Village project because it will allow Catholic Charities to help far more people find a place to call home.

Thank you for your time.

Yours sincerely,

Tim