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TO: HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSIONERS
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SUBJECT: HOUSING AUTHORITY MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REPORT

- Thirty-two low-income families have received the keys to their new affordable homes at Catalina Townhomes, a sweat-equity development by Burbank Housing with financial assistance provided by the Housing Authority. These first-time homeowners will be joined by 28 more families this spring as Phase 2 is completed. The Catalina Townhomes development is located off Dutton Meadow, south of Hearn Avenue.
- Macias, Gini & O'Connell, LLP is on site continuing the Single Audit for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for the Housing Choice Voucher program and CDBG.
- The California Apartment Association and the Sonoma County and Santa Rosa Housing Authorities lead a community discussion about the Housing Choice Voucher Program on Wednesday, January 25. Rental owners and managers attended to share feedback, ask questions of HCV management and provide input on incentives for participation in the program.
- Housing Choice Voucher staff anticipates receiving a proposal under the existing Request for Proposals for HUD-VASH Project-Based Vouchers for a small hotel conversion project in Guerneville.
- Staff continues their review of the eight applications in response to the City of Santa Rosa's Affordable Housing Incentive Fund Pilot Program \$3 Million Solicitation of Interest/Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) which was allocated by the City Council as part of the Housing Action Plan adopted on June 7, 2016.
- The Santa Rosa and Sonoma County Housing Authorities continued the landlord education and outreach series on January 11 at the Sonoma County Housing Authority offices. The ongoing sessions offer information on a variety of topics related to the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program and other special voucher programs. The next session is scheduled for Wednesday, March 8.
- Kawana Meadows, a project approved in 2005, is expected to break ground in summer, 2017. In addition to 69 single-family homes, the project is planned to include 191 multi-family units. Nineteen of the multi-family units are inclusionary units restricted for 30 years from the date of first occupancy to families earning 80% of Area Median Income or less, adjusted for family size.