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## SHRA SEEKS \$1.8 MILLION GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT FOR PARK AT MIRASOL VILLAGE

**Sacramento, CA** | SHRA has submitted a \$1.8 million funding proposal to the California Natural Resources Agency for a Green Infrastructure Grant to support construction of a 1.1 acre park at Mirasol Village, formerly the Twin Rivers housing development at 12th Street and Richards Boulevard in Sacramento. The Green Infrastructure Grant Program was created in 2018 under Proposition 68 which allowed the Legislature to set aside \$18.5 million to the State for competitive grants for investments in multi-benefit green infrastructure to improve disadvantaged communities. The proposed park will serve Mirasol Village which qualifies as a severely disadvantaged community in the River District neighborhood. The project is designed to achieve measurable, multiple benefits that create sustainable and vibrant communities and maximize opportunities to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.



Mirasol Park will be open for public use and entirely accessible, including ADA compliant sidewalks at the perimeter of the park. Green infrastructure features include a high-capacity underground stormwater detention basin underneath the turf of a playing field; four stormwater planters with educational interpretive panels; a butterfly/pollinator garden with drought tolerant, native species and an educational interpretive panel; and a permeable and accessible pedestrian path around the park. Other public amenities include two play areas covered by butterfly shaped shade structures, shaded picnic area, bike racks, drinking fountain and fitness circuit. The new community will reflect a strong reference to nature, including its name, Mirasol, which is the Spanish word for sunflower, and streets named after butterflies. If the Agency’s proposal is successful, construction would proceed in late 2020 with completion scheduled for Fall 2021. To learn more about the Mirasol Village Redevelopment Project, go to [www.shra.org](http://www.shra.org) and click Community Revitalization on the home page.

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SHRA ([www.shra.org](http://www.shra.org)) is a Joint Powers Authority created by the City and County of Sacramento to represent both jurisdictions for affordable housing and community redevelopment needs. SHRA has a FY 2020 budget of \$211.9 million and 246 employees. The Agency owns and/or manages approximately 3,200 units of affordable housing and is one of the largest landlords in Sacramento. SHRA also administers approximately 13,200 rent assistance vouchers per month.

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