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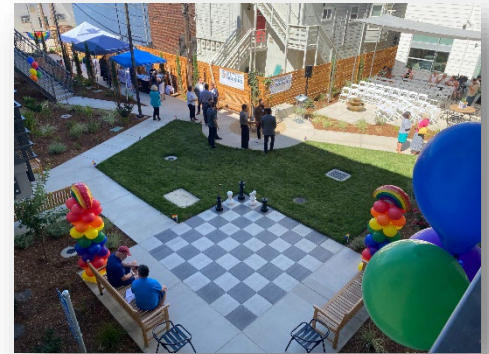
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**SACRAMENTO HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, PARTNERS WELCOME
RESIDENTS TO LAVENDER COURTYARD SENIOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING
COMMUNITY**

Sacramento, Calif. | Officials at Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency joined several partners recently to welcome residents to their new homes at Lavender Courtyard, Sacramento's first LGBTQ-friendly affordable senior housing community. Located at the corner of 16th and F Streets in Sacramento County, this housing community aims to increase affordable living opportunities for older adults in the area.

Lavender Courtyard, an affordable housing development by Mutual Housing California in partnership with SHRA, began as a vacant parcel of land in 2015 and now provides 52 homes to occupants 62-years-old and older.



To mark the opening, a grand welcoming event was held with local government leaders, including Mayor Darrell Steinberg and Councilmember Katie Valenzuela, along with Mutual Housing CEO Roberto Jimenez, SHRA Executive Director La Shelle Dozier, community member, and residents.

Rainbow balloons, streamers and performance by the Sacramento Gay Men's Chorus and run of shows by Taryn of the Imperial Court of Sacramento Empress 32 & 43 helped set the tone and showcase the pride of the people and leadership who helped make this project a reality.

Guests also enjoyed a tour of the facility grounds and housing units that showcased the building's aesthetic and function. In all, there are 48 one-bedroom units and four two-bedroom units, with 24 of the units reserved for LGBTQ seniors coming out of homelessness.

The first residents have already moved in with more expected in the coming weeks. Individuals interested in becoming Lavender Courtyard residents are encouraged to visit the Mutual Housing website and join the interest list to learn more about the development.

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SHRA (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 2022 budget of \$347.1 million and 250 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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