



Golden Gate Village Residents and Community Leaders to Celebrate Start of Historic Revitalization

October 3 celebration will honor the community's legacy and mark a new chapter in preserving its homes

MARIN CITY, CA, October 2, 2026 – Golden Gate Village residents, community leaders and project partners will gather on Saturday, October 3, at Golden Gate Village in Marin City to celebrate the start of the community's historic revitalization. Featuring resident and community speakers, youth performances and activities for families, the Golden Gate Village Revitalization Kick-off Celebration will honor the people, history and legacy that have shaped this community while marking the beginning of Phase 1 of the revitalization.

The celebration follows the August 19 financial closing, which secured the remaining funding necessary for the \$97.6 million first phase to move forward. Together with approval from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), this milestone enabled the Marin Housing Authority and Burbank Housing to begin the physical transformation of the first 88 homes while preserving Golden Gate Village as Marin County's only public housing community for families.

"This moment belongs first to the residents of Golden Gate Village, whose leadership, advocacy and deep commitment to their community helped make this revitalization possible," said Dr. Tonia Lediju, CEO and Executive Director of the Marin Housing Authority. "Our responsibility now is to honor that legacy through our actions—to preserve these homes, protect long-term affordability, deliver the quality residents deserve and uphold the commitments we have made, including the right to return. Ultimately, our success will be measured not simply by the buildings we improve, but by whether this investment strengthens the community and preserves Golden Gate Village for generations to come."

The afternoon's program will center resident voices while bringing together community leaders and project partners, including recognition of the Golden Gate Village Resident Council. Planned speakers include Golden Gate Village resident Jae Moses, Marin Housing Authority Commissioner for Public Housing Homer Hall and Wells Fargo representative Gregg Sherkin. Youth performances and family activities will continue throughout the celebration.

Completed in 1961, Golden Gate Village is a 296-unit public housing community designed by architect Aaron Green, a protégé and associate of Frank Lloyd Wright. Recognized for its



distinctive mid-century modern architecture, landscape and relationship to the surrounding Marin City hills, Golden Gate Village is also deeply connected to Marin City's African American history, culture and identity. Generations of residents have called the community home and advocated for its preservation and future. Through the leadership and advocacy of residents and the Golden Gate Village Resident Council, the community was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2017, recognizing its architectural and historical significance.

Golden Gate Village was developed to provide public housing for low-income families in Marin City, a community shaped by the racially diverse workforce that came to Marin County during World War II to work at the Marinship shipyard in Sausalito. After the war, many Black workers and their families remained in Marin City while discriminatory housing practices limited housing opportunities elsewhere in Marin County.

For more than 60 years, Golden Gate Village has been a place of deep roots, cultural identity and connection across generations. The October 3 celebration will honor that legacy while marking the transition from years of planning to implementation and the continued collaboration among residents, the Marin Housing Authority, Burbank Housing and project partners.

"Golden Gate Village is more than a place to live - it's a community shaped by generations of families, neighbors and shared history," said Larry Florin, President and CEO of Burbank Housing. "As revitalization begins, we want to see that history honored and residents' voices will remain central to the process. This celebration is a chance to come together, recognize how far we've come and look ahead to improvements that will help families continue to call Golden Gate Village home for decades to come."

Phase 1 of the revitalization will renovate the first 88 homes, including new kitchens and bathrooms, improved heating, cooling and ventilation systems, fire safety improvements and modernized electrical systems, among other improvements.

No part of the community will be demolished, and no new buildings will be constructed as part of the revitalization. Instead, the work will improve existing homes while preserving Golden Gate Village's historic architecture and character and maintaining its long-term affordability.

Residents who temporarily relocate during construction will retain their right to return. The Marin Housing Authority and Burbank Housing will continue working closely with residents throughout the process to support temporary relocation, provide timely information and help families return to their renovated homes while minimizing disruption during the transition.



For more information about the revitalization of Golden Gate Village, visit ggvrenovation.org or email GGV-Project@burbankhousing.org.

About Golden Gate Village

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Listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2017, Golden Gate Village is recognized for both its architectural significance and its importance to the history and identity of Marin City. Its revitalization is intended to preserve all 296 homes, retain the community's historic character and ensure long-term affordability for generations to come.

About Burbank Housing

Burbank Housing is a nonprofit affordable housing provider with more than 46 years of experience building, rehabilitating and managing affordable communities across the North Bay. Known for its commitment to long-term community partnerships, Burbank Housing was selected by the Marin Housing Authority to lead the revitalization of Golden Gate Village following a public process. The selection of Burbank Housing aligns with the Resident Plan's priorities for Golden Gate Village, which focuses on community input, preservation and affordability.

About Marin Housing Authority

The Marin Housing Authority has served as Marin County's public housing agency since 1942, providing affordable housing solutions and rental assistance to low-income residents. As the owner and public steward of Golden Gate Village, Marin Housing Authority administers federal housing programs, manages public housing communities and works to preserve and expand affordable housing opportunities throughout Marin County. Its work is grounded in a commitment to housing stability and creating the foundation from which individuals and families can pursue opportunity and long-term stability.



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