

CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE
Project Staff Report
2013 First Round
June 12, 2013

Project Number CA-13-065

Project Name Vista Del Mar Commons
 Site Address: 137, 148 S. Palm St., 66 S. Ventura Ave.
 Ventura, CA 93001 County: Ventura
 Census Tract: 24.000

Tax Credit Amounts	Federal/Annual	State/Total
Requested:	\$892,496	\$0
Recommended:	\$892,496	\$0

Applicant Information

Applicant: Homecomings, Inc.
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General partner(s) or principal owner(s): Homecomings, Inc.
 General Partner Type: Nonprofit
 Developer: Homecomings, Inc.
 Investor/Consultant: Alliant Capital
 Management Agent(s): Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura

Project Information

Construction Type: Acquisition & Rehabilitation
 Total # Residential Buildings: 3
 Total # of Units: 142
 No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 140 100%
 Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%
 Federal Subsidy: HUD Section 8 Project-Based Contract (140 units - 100%)
 Affordability Breakdown by Units and % (Lowest Income Points):

30% AMI:	15	10 %
40% AMI:	28	20 %
50% AMI:	56	40 %

Information

Set-Aside: N/A
 Housing Type: Seniors
 Geographic Area: Central Coast Region
 TCAC Project Analyst: Benjamin Schwartz

Unit Mix

27 SRO/Studio Units
 103 1-Bedroom Units
 12 2-Bedroom Units

 142 Total Units

<u>Unit Type & Number</u>	<u>2013 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>2013 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>Proposed Rent (including utilities)</u>
* 2 SRO/Studio	30%	30%	\$459
* 5 SRO/Studio	40%	34%	\$517
* 6 SRO/Studio	50%	34%	\$517
* 14 SRO/Studio	60%	34%	\$517
* 5 1 Bedroom	30%	30%	\$492
* 10 1 Bedroom	40%	35%	\$571
* 21 1 Bedroom	50%	35%	\$571
* 11 1 Bedroom	60%	35%	\$571
6 1 Bedroom	30%	30%	\$492
11 1 Bedroom	40%	36%	\$598
21 1 Bedroom	50%	36%	\$598
17 1 Bedroom	60%	36%	\$598
2 2 Bedrooms	30%	30%	\$590
2 2 Bedrooms	40%	31%	\$606
4 2 Bedrooms	50%	31%	\$606
2 2 Bedrooms	60%	31%	\$606
* 1 2 Bedrooms	60%	37%	\$726
1 1 Bedroom	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0
1 2 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$1,422

* Utilities for these units are paid for by the owner.

Project Financing

Estimated Total Project Cost:	\$25,600,784
Estimated Residential Project Cost:	\$25,600,784

Construction Financing

Source	Amount
Citibank, NA	\$7,450,000
HA City of Ventura - Seller Financing	\$14,800,000
Deferred during construction	\$1,164,068
GP Equity	\$100
Tax Credit Equity	\$2,186,616

Residential

Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$67
Per Unit Cost:	\$180,287

Permanent Financing

Source	Amount
Citibank, NA	\$1,504,207
HA City of Ventura - Seller Financing	\$14,800,000
Cash from operations	\$200,012
GP Equity	\$100
Deferred Developer Fee	\$350,000
Tax Credit Equity	\$8,746,465
TOTAL	\$25,600,784

Determination of Credit Amount(s)

Requested Eligible Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$8,815,055
130% High Cost Adjustment:	Yes
Requested Eligible Basis (Acquisition):	\$11,740,210
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$11,459,572
Applicable Rate:	9.00%
Qualified Basis (Acquisition):	\$11,740,210
Applicable Rate:	3.20%
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Rehabilitation:	\$516,810
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Acquisition:	\$375,686
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$892,496
Approved Developer Fee in Project Cost:	\$1,475,000
Approved Developer Fee in Eligible Basis:	\$1,400,000
Investor/Consultant:	Alliant Capital
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.98000

Per Regulation Section 10322(i)(4)(A), The “as if vacant” land value and the existing improvement value established at application, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, will be used during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits.

Per Regulation Section 10327(c)(2)(C), Once established at the initial funded application, the developer fee cannot be increased, but may be decreased, in the event of a modification in basis.

Eligible Basis and Basis Limit

Requested Unadjusted Eligible Basis:	\$20,555,265
Actual Eligible Basis:	\$20,555,265
Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$27,097,600
Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$27,097,600

Adjustments to Basis Limit: None

Tie-Breaker Information

First: Seniors
Second: 78.735%

Cost Analysis and Line Item Review

Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC’s underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitations. Annual operating expenses exceed the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations, and the project pro forma shows a positive cash flow from year one. Staff has calculated federal tax credits based on 9.00% of the qualified basis, or, in the case of acquisition credit or credit combined with federal subsidies, 3.20%. Applicants are cautioned to consider the expected federal rate when negotiating with investors. TCAC's financial evaluation at project completion will determine the final allocation.

Special Issues/Other Significant Information:

The applicant included a developer fee basis amount in the sources and uses budget at \$1,475,000, which is above the TCAC limit of \$1,400,000. As allowed in TCAC Regulation Section 10327(a), the developer fee included in basis was adjusted between rehabilitation and acquisition basis accordingly. The reduction did not result in any reduction to the requested tax credit amount.

Pursuant to Chapter 8, Category 11e of the TCAC Compliance Manual and IRS Revenue Rule 92-61, if a manager's unit is being charged rent, the eligible basis for the unit should be excluded from the development budget. Staff noted that rent will be charged by the owner for one of the manager’s unit at the proposed project. For all future submission of the application to TCAC, the owner should either exclude the eligible basis from the development budget or not charge rent on the manager’s unit.

Legal Status: Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the Application. No information was disclosed that raised any question regarding the financial viability or legal integrity of the applicant.

Local Reviewing Agency:

The Local Reviewing Agency, City of San Buenaventura, has completed a site review of this project and strongly supports this project.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Committee make a preliminary reservation of tax credits in the following amount(s) contingent upon standard conditions and any additional conditions imposed by the Committee:

Federal Tax Credits/Annual	State Tax Credits/Total
\$892,496	\$0

Standard Conditions

The applicant must submit all documentation required for a Carryover Allocation, any Readiness to Proceed Requirements elected, and a Final Reservation. Failure to provide the documentation at the time required may result in rescission of the Credit reservation and cancellation of a carryover allocation.

TCAC makes the preliminary reservation only for the project specified above in the form presented, and involving the parties referred to in the application. No changes in the development team or the project as presented will be permitted without the express approval of TCAC.

The applicant must pay TCAC a performance deposit and allocation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. Additionally, TCAC requires the project owner to pay a monitoring fee before issuance of tax forms.

As project costs are preliminary estimates only, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit and state credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs and certified costs after the buildings are placed in service.

All unexpended funds in reserve accounts established for the project must remain with the project to be used for the benefit of the property and/or its residents, except for the portion of any accounts funded with deferred developer fees.

All fees charged to the project must be within TCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credit when the project is placed-in-service.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by TCAC at placed-in-service.

Credit awards are contingent upon applicant's acceptance of any revised total project cost, qualified basis and tax credit amount determined by TCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

The applicant must ensure the project meets all Additional Threshold Requirements of the proposed project. If points were awarded for service amenities, the applicant will be required to provide such amenity or amenities identified in the application, for a minimum period of ten years and at no cost to the tenants. Applicants that received points for sustainable building methods (energy efficiency) must submit the certification required by Section 10325(c)(6) at project completion. Applicants that received increases (exceptions to limits) in the threshold basis limit under Section 10327(c)(5) must submit the certification required by Section 10322(i)(2) at project completion.

Additional Conditions: None

Points System	Max. Possible Points	Requested Points	Points Awarded
Cost Efficiency / Credit Reduction / Public Funds	20	20	20
Public Funds	20	20	20
Owner / Management Characteristics	9	9	9
General Partner Experience	6	6	6
Management Experience	3	3	3
Housing Needs	10	10	10
Site Amenities	15	15	15
Within ¼ mile of transit stop, service every 30 min, 25 units/acre density	7	7	0
Within ¼ mile of regular bus stop (or dial-a-ride service for rural set-aside)	4	0	4
Within ¼ mile of public park or community center open to general public	3	3	3
Within ½ mile of public library	2	2	2
Within ¼ mile of a full-scale grocery/supermarket of at least 25,000 sf	5	5	5
Senior project within ½ mile of daily operated senior center/facility	2	2	2
Within ½ mile of medical clinic or hospital	3	3	3
Within ¼ mile of a pharmacy	2	2	2
Service Amenities	10	10	10
LARGE FAMILY, SENIOR, AT-RISK HOUSING TYPES			
Other Services Specialist, minimum ratio of 1 FTE to 1,000 bedrooms	3	3	3
Adult ed/health & wellness/skill bldg classes, minimum 84 hrs/yr instruction	7	7	7
Sustainable Building Methods	10	10	10
REHABILITATION			
Rehabilitate to improve energy efficiency (change in HERS II rating): 20%	5	5	5
Additional rehab measures: Sustainable Building Mgmt Practices	3	3	3
Additional rehab measures: Individually metered utilities per TCAC I	3	3	3
Lowest Income	52	52	52
Basic Targeting	50	50	50
Deeper Targeting – at least 10% of units @ 30% AMI or less	2	2	2
Readiness to Proceed	20	20	20
Miscellaneous Federal and State Policies	2	2	2
State Credit Substitution	2	2	2
Total Points	148	148	148

Please Note: If more than the maximum Site Amenity points were requested, not all amenities may have been scored and/or verified.

DO NOT RELY ON SCORING IN THIS COMPETITIVE CYCLE FOR FUTURE APPLICATIONS. ALL RE-APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED WITHOUT RELIANCE ON PAST SCORING.