

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

FACT SHEET



About HCD

HCD brings together Housing, Planning, Building, Engineering, and Environmental Services to enhance the quality of life and economic health of the community by ensuring reasonable and safe development, planning for the future, managing infrastructure, and protecting natural resources.

Policies & Ordinances

- Updated the Noise Ordinance in response to a Civil Grand Jury investigation.
- Completed the Vacation Rental EIR and advanced the draft ordinance through the Planning Commission.
- Completed an agricultural mitigation ordinance implementing the General Plan.
- Completed review and removal of unconstitutional Restrictive Covenants in coordination with the Recorder's Office and updated an equity timeline.

Subdivisions and EIRs

- Processed several large subdivisions with EIRs, including September Ranch Subdivision Final Maps, Rancho Canada Subdivision, Riverview Subdivision, and East Garrison Final Phase Amendments.

Community Assistance & Services



Assisted over 30,000 residents by phone or at the front counter in the last year.

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ADUs & Housing Permits

The HCD department created pre-plan checked ADU plans for Monterey County residents, issued over **3,600 building permits**, processed **240 discretionary land use permits** last fiscal year, and implemented Solar App+® to expedite solar permit reviews.



Affordable Housing

HCD supported over **800 employees** with agricultural housing projects and funded **200 affordable housing units** with over **\$3 million** in CDBG and PLHA grants, including Lightfighter Village, Greenfield Commons, Sun Rose Gardens, and Hayes Duplex. In addition, it secured a **\$2 million** grant for homeless youth housing in Monterey County.



Environmental & Community Projects

The department funded and permitted the Carmel River FREE project and completed the Draft EIR for Carmel Lagoon and Scenic Road. HCD also launched a **\$1 million** wildfire prevention and eucalyptus removal pilot project and assisted DEM with disaster recovery inspections and permitting.

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