

The Caritas Corporation and Level 3 Construction Break Ground on Affordable Housing Community in North County San Diego

VISTA, CA, UNITED STATES, August 25, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Caritas Corporation (Caritas) and Level 3 Construction, Inc. today announced the groundbreaking of Caritas Village – Vista, a 24-unit [affordable housing community](#) in Vista, Calif.

Caritas, an Orange County-based nonprofit that has provided and maintained quality affordable housing for Californians of low and limited income for more than three decades, awarded Level 3 Construction, a [general contractor](#) specializing in multifamily, hotel, mixed-use, and affordable housing projects, with an \$8.7-million contract to build the 28,787-square-foot development at 325 Plymouth Drive.



Architectural rendering of Caritas Village – Vista, a 24-unit affordable housing community now under construction at 325 Plymouth Drive in Vista, California. The development is being built by Level 3 Construction for The Caritas Corporation.

Officials from the City of Vista and Chamber of Commerce joined Caritas and Level 3 Construction executives on site this morning, along with other community leaders for a groundbreaking ceremony. Construction is expected to be completed in summer 2027. Key Caritas Village – Vista features will include:

- Two, three-story apartment buildings of 12 homes each
- One-, two-, and three-bedroom options
- Capacity for 64 residents and 25 on-site parking spaces
- A single-story community building housing a clubhouse, leasing office, laundry facility, and maintenance room
- Additional nearby street parking

"Today's groundbreaking marks our first development in San Diego County and represents our continued commitment to expanding access to quality, affordable housing," said Randy Redwitz, Caritas CEO. "When we build affordable housing, we are investing in people, while building communities that uplift and empower our residents. Along with our partner Level 3 Construction, we are creating a unique community that will provide families and individuals with a safe and stable place they can truly call home."

"Establishing this 24-unit affordable housing community is an affirmation to both people and place in an otherwise challenging North County market," said Gabe Chavez, Caritas vice president. "Through thoughtful development and capital improvements, we're broadening possibilities for families to remain in a city they know and love. We're proud to move this Vista project forward and expand access to safe, attainable housing."

Caritas Village – Vista reached this pivotal stage after several months of close collaboration between Level 3 Construction and WHA, Inc., the Irvine-based architecture and planning firm that designed the community. Working alongside WHA's design team, Level 3 Construction brought field-level insight to the drawing board, leading detailed design and constructability reviews along with value engineering to identify cost savings without compromising the quality or intent of the design. That early guidance — offered while changes were still inexpensive to make — is what carried the project into the field. Crews have since completed the



Aerial view of the Caritas Village – Vista site following initial site preparation in Vista, California. Level 3 Construction has begun early construction activities for the 24-unit affordable housing community being developed by The Caritas Corporation.



Logo of The Caritas Corporation, an Orange County-based nonprofit that has provided and maintained quality affordable housing for Californians of low and limited income for more than three decades.



Logo of Level 3 Construction, a Vista, CA-based general contractor specializing in multifamily, hotel, mixed-use, and affordable housing projects throughout Southern California.

site's initial grading, drilling, and shoring.

"Affordable housing demands a level of budget discipline that leaves no room for surprises in the field, and that discipline starts long before anyone breaks ground," said Ian Mahon, president and CEO of Level 3 Construction. "Our experience building affordable housing has taught us how important it is to challenge assumptions, identify issues early, and protect every dollar available for construction. Our early collaboration with WHA gave Caritas greater certainty around cost and schedule before construction began. This community is home for us, so there's something especially meaningful about partnering with Caritas to build in Vista and create quality homes that working families in North County can actually afford."



Architectural rendering of the community building at Caritas Village – Vista, a 24-unit affordable housing community being built by Level 3 Construction for The Caritas Corporation in Vista, California.

Caritas Village – Vista is Level 3 Construction's first project with Caritas and the latest in its growing [portfolio](#) of affordable and workforce housing communities in North County San Diego. Information about the community will be available on the Caritas website at caritascorp.org in January 2027.

About The Caritas Corporation

Caritas ("caring for others") was established in 1996 as a California nonprofit, 501(c)(3) public-benefit corporation. Caritas unites people with a purpose to preserve affordable housing communities that uplift and empower residents. Headquartered in Irvine, Calif., Caritas acquires and develops affordable housing communities throughout California and in the state of Oregon. Caritas supports several educational and financial assistance programs across its 35 communities and to more than 15,000 residents.

About Level 3 Construction, Inc.

Founded in 2004 and headquartered in Vista, California, Level 3 Construction, Inc. specializes in the ground-up construction and renovation of multifamily, hotel, mixed-use, and affordable-housing projects. Unlike a typical general contractor, Level 3 Construction employs its own skilled trades team, ensuring superior quality, attention to detail, and efficiency throughout every phase of construction. This integrated approach has made the company a trusted partner for regional developers, global hospitality brands, real estate investors, and architects seeking excellence, predictable timelines, and cost-effective solutions. With its impressive portfolio of ground-up and renovation projects — and its growing roster of repeat clients — Level 3 Construction continues to set the standard for construction excellence in California. Learn more at

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