



City Center Plaza

Redwood City, CA

Family Housing

City Center Plaza is a transit-oriented urban village with immediate access to shopping, public services, and public transportation. All of these features minimize resident dependence on automobiles. Winner of a Gold Nugget Award from the Pacific Coast Builders Conference and the San Mateo County Sustainability Award 2000, City Center combines affordable housing, commercial, educational, and child care uses in an architectural style that complements the new library in an historic building and the new City Hall nearby. A public paseo links the residential, commercial, and public service elements together.



City Center Plaza came about through a public-private partnership between the City, Mid-Peninsula Housing, the Raiser Organization, and the citizens of Redwood City. After the city assembled several small parcels near the sites targeted for the new City Hall and new library, community groups reached consensus in support of the development. The site was transferred to MPHIC in 1995 and construction was completed in 1997.

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Developer

Mid-Peninsula Housing Coalition and The Raiser Organization

Property Management

Mid-Peninsula Housing Management
Raiser Property Management

Development Type

1997 New construction: three- and four-story garden apartments and townhouses above commercial space

Construction Type

Wood and metal frame with composition shingle roofs

Site Area: 1.76 acres

Density: 46 units/acre

Parking Ratio: 1.5:1 118 spaces

Development Profile

Type	No/Units	Size (sf)
1 BR	20	500-606
2 BR	32	932-930
3 BR	22	1,153-1,184
4 BR	7	1,331
TOTAL	81	

Amenities

Courtyard/playground; child care center; community room; computer center; convenient to retail, cultural, educational, civic resources and transportation

Resident Profile

Families earning up to 60% of area median income

Funders

- Transamerica Occidental Life Insurance Co. (tax credit investor)
- Redwood City Redevelopment Agency
- Citibank
- Wells Fargo Bank

Architect

Backen, Arrigoni & Ross - initial design
Berger Detmer

Contractor

Raiser Construction Company

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