

# APTOS BLUE

FAMILY & SUPPORTIVE HOUSING  
Aptos, CA



**Aptos Blue** provides 40 families with affordable rental homes in Santa Cruz County. Located near a major shopping center, public library, and public transportation lines, Aptos Blue residents live, work, and play in their neighborhood.

The community marks one of the six sites re-zoned by the County with the goal to provide affordable housing. Five units are set aside for individuals and families with special needs.



In addition to new construction, Aptos Blue includes the renovation

of the historic Castro House. Originally built in the mid-1870s by Vicente Castro, a prominent rancher and orchardist, the Castro House site is part of the former Aptos Rancho. Through the years, the home was owned by other prominent business leaders and was used to entertain well-known celebrities and politicians. In 2001, the Castro House was added to the Santa Cruz County Historic Resources Inventory for its association with the rancho period in Santa Cruz history and its distinctive representation of Colonial Revival residential architecture from the 1860s.

The house now provides a shared space for the residents including a community room, a common kitchen, an After School Program classroom, and a beautiful community garden outside.

<b>Developer</b>	MidPen Housing Corp.		
<b>Property Management</b>	MidPen Property Management Corp.		
<b>Development Type</b>	New construction of two- and three-story apartments and rehabilitation of the historic Castro House		
<b>Construction Type</b>	Wood frame type IV construction		
<b>Site Area:</b>	2.2 developable acres (5.5 total acres)		
<b>Density:</b>	20 units / acre		
<b>Parking Ratio:</b>	2.5 : 1 – 101 spaces		
<b>Development Profile</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>Size Units (sf)</b>
	Studio	4	411
	1 BR	4	639 - 658
	2 BR	16	813 - 912
	3 BR	16	982 - 1149
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>		
<b>Amenities</b>	Community room; tot lot; laundry facilities; computer lab; community gardens		
<b>Services Offered</b>	Academically-based after school and summer programs for youth Financial literacy courses Vocational development Health and wellness programs Computer lab and assistance Connection to community resources		
<b>Resident Profile</b>	Families earning up to 50% AMI		
<b>Funders</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County of Santa Cruz</li> <li>• California Department of Housing and Community Development - HOME</li> <li>• CalHFA - Mental Health Services Act</li> <li>• Wells Fargo</li> </ul>		
<b>Architect</b>	Hunt Hale Jones Architects Anderson McKelvey Architects (Castro House)		
<b>Contractor</b>	Kent Construction		

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