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Districtwide Student Housing at College of San Mateo

Since 2020, the San Mateo County Community College District (SMCCCD) has dedicated resources to compete for state funding to build desperately needed student housing. Fifty-eight percent of SMCCCD's students are housing insecure and six percent are homeless. In late 2022, the District submitted a project grant application to secure state funding for Districtwide student housing at College of San Mateo. The District's application ranked fifth out of 21 competitive community college district applications, with the top six applicants awarded funding as approved in the 2023-2024 budget.

This project's total budget is $86 million, with $56 million awarded from the state and $30 million from local District funds. The District is bound by the commitments of the submitted project program in the application; therefore, the size and location of this project are firm.

HPI Architecture/Design Collective designed the 316-bed student housing project, which will serve students from SMCCCD's three regional campuses. Located adjacent to the College of San Mateo's campus core, it will offer a variety of unit types, from semi-suite shared bedrooms to studio and 4-bedroom apartments, catering to a range of student needs. Common spaces will include community kitchens, laundry facilities, study rooms, academic and health counseling offices, a basic needs food pantry, a manager's office, a leasing office, custodial and storage space, parcel lockers, and diverse shared and individual study areas. The building will feature two courtyards: one campus-facing for informal activities, and another with southern views designed for active, recreational use.

A full-time resident director, living on-site, will oversee the community, fostering engagement, learning, respect for diversity, and student success. The Student Life Program—including athletics, recreation, various clubs, and student government—will be located nearby, just steps from the housing complex.

Schedule

- Design / DSA / Bidding / Board Approval: May 2023 –July 2025
- Construction: July 2025 - March 2027
- Building Activation: March – June 2027
- Students Move-in: June 2027

Status:
- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) addendum 🗎 submitted to the State Clearinghouse on 10/30/2024
- Submitted to the building permitting agency, Division of State Architect (DSA), on 8/26/24
- Continue to review budget/value engineer

Additional Information:
Scion Group SMCCCD Student Housing Feasibility Study Results 🗎
Resolution in Support for Districtwide Student Housing Grant Application
Update on Districtwide Student Housing at College of San Mateo (August 9th 2023)
Community Forums Held: September 18, 2023
September 19, 2023 - Update 🗎
October 17, 2023
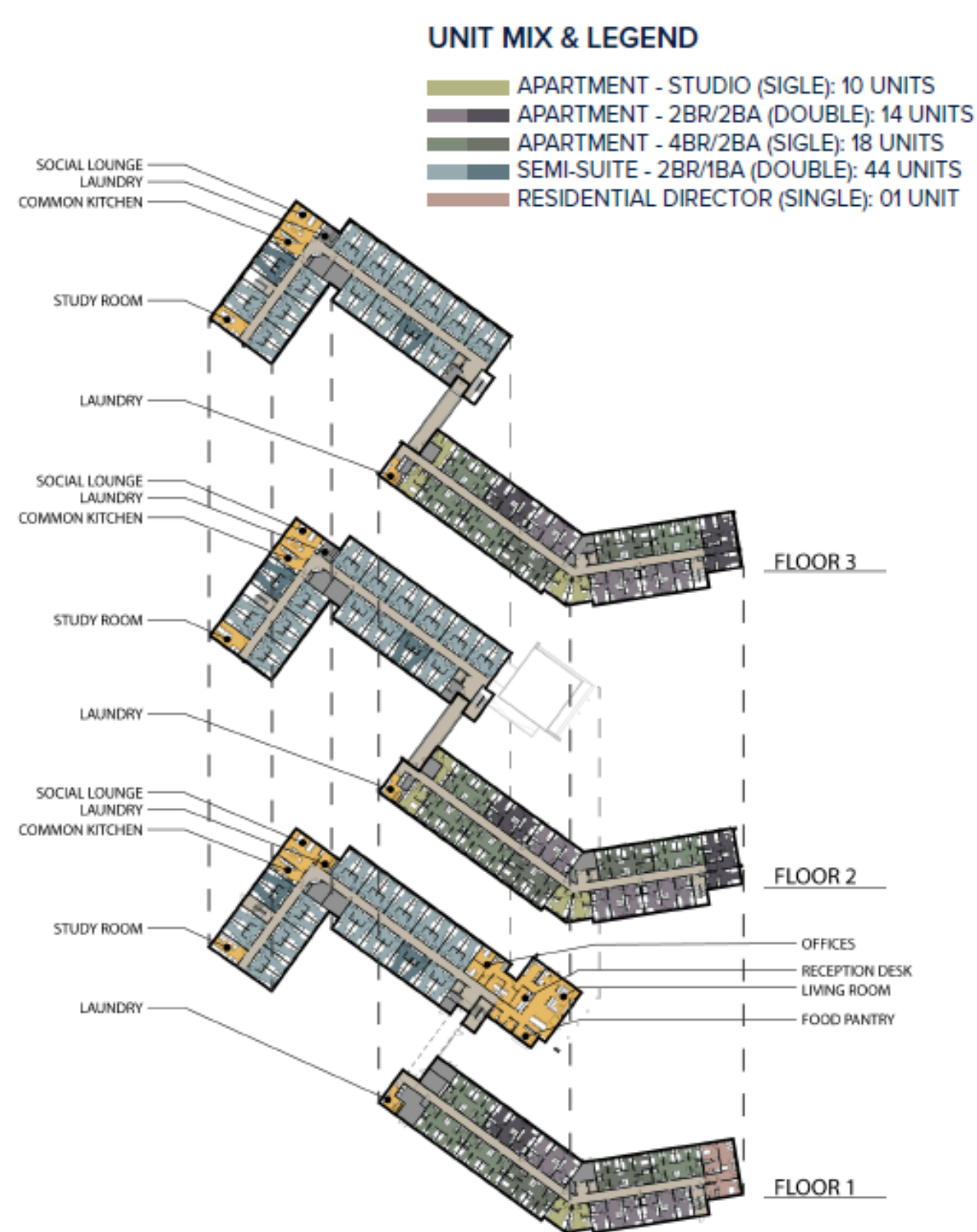Frequently Asked Questions
Feedback

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UNIT MIX & LEGEND

APARTMENT - STUDIO (SIGLE): 10 UNITS
APARTMENT - 2BR/2BA (DOUBLE): 14 UNITS
APARTMENT - 4BR/2BA (SIGLE): 18 UNITS
SEMI-SUITE - 2BR/1BA (DOUBLE): 44 UNITS
RESIDENTIAL DIRECTOR (SINGLE): 01 UNIT

SOCIAL LOUNGE
LAUNDRY
COMMON KITCHEN

STUDY ROOM

LAUNDRY

SOCIAL LOUNGE
LAUNDRY
COMMON KITCHEN

STUDY ROOM

FLOOR 3

LAUNDRY

SOCIAL LOUNGE
LAUNDRY
COMMON KITCHEN

STUDY ROOM

FLOOR 2

OFFICES
RECEPTION DESK
LIVING ROOM
FOOD PANTRY

LAUNDRY

FLOOR 1

San Mateo County Community College District

The SMCCCD is a three college district located between San Francisco and San Jose in Silicon Valley. Our Colleges serve nearly 20,000 students each year and offer the first two years of instruction in a wide variety of degree and transfer programs, as well as vocational-technical programs.

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