



# Ventura County Housing Trust Fund

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Dear Community Leader and Business Manager,

On September 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Camarillo Ranch, we will be hosting our annual fundraising and social event attended by an anticipated 200+ supporters. The event program will focus on housing opportunities for people with special needs.

As part of this event, assisted by two Girl Scouts earning their Silver Award, we hope to provide items to assist the 39 residents of a new supportive housing complex in Ventura known as Castillo del Sol. Owned and managed by the Housing Authority of the City of San Buenaventura, these apartments are home to 39 low-income individuals with special needs: physical, mental or developmental disabilities, including 5 formerly homeless. The facility is distinctive as it provides independent living with on-site support services. The Ventura County Housing Trust Fund, a 501(c)(3) non-profit (#45-3191747), provided partial funding for these new apartments.

**We ask for your support.** By donating items or funds you will:

- help build community and enrich the lives of 39 special needs adults;
- invest and engage in your community;
- help expand and improve the affordable housing stock in Ventura County;
- be promoted as a supportive entity that recognizes the importance of clean, safe, affordable housing for those in need.
- be recognized on a thank you poster displayed at the event and at the apartment complex.

Items we are collecting are listed on the reverse side and fall into one of five *Community-Building Baskets*: Library, Entertainment, Technology, Gardening, and On-the-Go. These donations will enrich social interaction, enhance learning and education, support healthy living, and provide opportunities for independence.

We also hope you will be able to join us at the event on September 22<sup>nd</sup> as well. Refer to our website for additional information: [www.VCHousingTrustFund.org](http://www.VCHousingTrustFund.org).

To coordinate a donation or for more information, please contact us. Thank you!

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## Community-Building Baskets for Castillo del Sol

Donate items at: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090C4BAAA62EA3FC1-castillo](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/4090C4BAAA62EA3FC1-castillo)

Donate funds toward the purchase of items at: [www.VCHousingTrustFund.org/2016-event](http://www.VCHousingTrustFund.org/2016-event)

*The Castillo del Sol Apartments are home to 39 low-income individuals with special needs: physical, mental or developmental disabilities, including formerly homeless. These donations will enrich the community through social interaction, enhance learning and education, support healthy living, and provide opportunities for independence.*

### **Library basket**

Fiction and Non-Fiction Books  
Comic Books/Graphic Novels  
Blank Journals  
Magazine Subscriptions  
Interactive (e.g. Sudoku, Crossword, Mad Lib,...)  
Adult Art Coloring Books  
Art paper and/or paper roll  
Colored Pencils, etc.  
Bookcase (low profile)

### **Entertainment basket**

Board Games, Chess/Checkers, etc.  
Puzzles  
Outdoor Games (e.g. bocce, mini-bowling, etc.)  
Decks of Cards and accessories such as instructional books, blank pads for scoring, etc.  
Television – to be mounted  
Gaming System & Games (e.g. Wii, Play Station)

### **Technology basket**

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Laptop or Tablet (PC compatible)  
Educational Software for PC  
Software guides/manuals (including MS Office)

### **Garden basket**

Hydroponic Grow Tower(s)  
Nursery Gift Cards to purchase supplies  
Hand Garden Tools  
Garden Supplies (hose, watering can, gloves, etc.)  
Outdoor Storage Bin

### **On-the-Go basket**

Bus Passes  
Restaurant & Beverage Gift Cards  
Entertainment Passes (movie, museum, bowling, mini-golf, sporting event, etc.)  
Retail Gift Cards (clothing, grocery, etc.)  
Bicycles, bike lock/chain

