

**CALIFORNIA DEBT LIMIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE
CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE
Project Staff Report
Qualified Private Activity Tax-Exempt Bond Project
August 5, 2025**

The project, 638 S Berendo, located at 638 South Berendo Street in Los Angeles on a 0.35 acre site, requested and is being recommended for a reservation of \$2,427,051 in annual federal tax credits and \$24,900,000 of tax-exempt bond cap to finance the new construction of 163 units of housing, consisting of 161 restricted rental units and 2 unrestricted manager's units. The project will have 77 studio units, 86 one-bedroom units, serving tenants with rents affordable to households earning 30%-80% of area median income (AMI). The construction is expected to begin in January 2026 and be completed in January 2028. The project will be developed by 638 Berendo Partners, LLC and will be located in Senate District 26 and Assembly District 54.

The project financing includes state funding from the Mixed-Income Program (MIP) through CalHFA.

Project Number CA-25-577

Project Name 638 S Berendo
Site Address: 638 South Berendo Street
Los Angeles, CA 90005
County: Los Angeles
Census Tract: 2121.01

Tax Credit Amounts	Federal/Annual	State/Total
Requested:	\$2,427,051	\$0
Recommended:	\$2,427,051	\$0

Tax-Exempt Bond Allocation
Recommended: \$24,900,000

CTCAC Applicant Information
CTCAC Applicant/CDLAC Sponsor: 638 Berendo Partners, LLC
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Bond Financing Information
CDLAC Applicant/Bond Issuer: CalHFA
Bond Counsel: Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP
Private Placement Purchaser: Citibank, N.A.

Development Team
General Partners / Principal Owners: 638 Berendo Partners, LLC
Kingdom BE LLC
General Partner Type: Joint Venture
Parent Companies: Hankey Investment Company
Kingdom Development, Inc.
Developer: 638 Berendo Partners, LLC
Investor/Consultant: RBC Capital Markets
Management Agent: Aperto Property Management, Inc.

Project Information

Construction Type: New Construction
 Total # Residential Buildings: 1
 Total # of Units: 163
 No. / % of Low Income Units: 161 100.00%
 Average Targeted Affordability: 60.00%
 Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60% Average Income
 Federal Subsidy: Tax-Exempt

Information

Housing Type: Non-Targeted
 Geographic Area: City of Los Angeles
 State Ceiling Pool: New Construction
 Set Aside: Mixed Income Set Aside
 CDLAC Project Analyst: Jake Salle
 CTCAC Project Analyst: Nick White

55-Year Use / Affordability

<u>Aggregate Targeting</u>	<u>Number of Units</u>	<u>Percentage of Affordable Units</u>
30% AMI:	34	21%
50% AMI:	15	9%
60% AMI:	17	11%
70% AMI*:	73	45%
80% AMI*:	22	14%

*CTCAC restricted only

Unit Mix

77	SRO/Studio Units
86	1-Bedroom Units
163	Total Units

<u>Unit Type & Number</u>	<u>2025 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>Proposed Rent (including utilities)</u>
30 SRO/Studio	30%	\$728
10 SRO/Studio	50%	\$1,213
10 SRO/Studio	60%	\$1,456
18 SRO/Studio	70%	\$1,699
9 SRO/Studio	80%	\$1,942
4 1 Bedroom	30%	\$780
5 1 Bedroom	50%	\$1,300
7 1 Bedroom	60%	\$1,560
55 1 Bedroom	70%	\$1,820
13 1 Bedroom	80%	\$2,080
2 1 Bedroom	Manager's Unit	\$2,037

Project Cost Summary at Application

Land and Acquisition	\$20,000
Construction Costs	\$34,535,331
Rehabilitation Costs	\$0
Construction Hard Cost Contingency	\$2,175,000
Soft Cost Contingency	\$317,455
Relocation	\$0
Architectural/Engineering	\$515,000
Const. Interest, Perm. Financing	\$5,768,163
Legal Fees	\$355,000
Reserves	\$1,216,852
Other Costs	\$3,056,235
Developer Fee	\$4,872,026
Commercial Costs	\$0
Total	\$52,831,062

Residential

Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$378
Per Unit Cost:	\$324,117
Estimated Hard Per Unit Cost:	\$185,667
True Cash Per Unit Cost*:	\$298,658
Bond Allocation Per Unit:	\$152,761
Bond Allocation Per Restricted Rental Unit:	\$377,273

Construction Financing

Source	Amount
Citibank: Tax-Exempt	\$24,900,000
Citibank: Recycled Tax-Exempt	\$4,279,316
Citibank: Taxable	\$15,957,014
Deferred Costs	\$4,527,430
Tax Credit Equity	\$3,167,302

Permanent Financing

Source	Amount
CalHFA	\$17,325,000
CalHFA: MIP	\$4,000,000
Hankey Investment Company	\$6,240,884
Deferred Developer Fee	\$4,149,834
Tax Credit Equity	\$21,115,344
TOTAL	\$52,831,062

*Less Donated Land, Seller Carryback Loans, Waived Fees, and Deferred Developer Fee

Determination of Credit Amount(s)

Requested Eligible Basis:	\$46,674,051
130% High Cost Adjustment:	Yes
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis:	\$60,676,266
Applicable Rate:	4.00%
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$2,427,051
Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis):	\$4,872,026
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.87000

Except as allowed for projects basing cost on assumed third party debt, the "as if vacant" land value and the existing improvement value established at application for all projects, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, shall not increase during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits. The sum of the third party debt encumbering the property may increase during subsequent reviews to reflect the actual amount.

CTCAC Significant Information / Additional Conditions: None.

CDLAC Analyst Comments: None.

Resyndication and Resyndication Transfer Event: None.

Standard Conditions

The applicant shall issue bonds within time limits specified by CDLAC.

The applicant anticipates financing more than 50% of the project aggregate basis with tax-exempt bond proceeds as calculated by the project tax professional. Therefore, the federal credit reserved for this project will not count against the annual ceiling.

State tax credit recipients are limited to cash distributions from project operations pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 12206(d). By accepting the tax credit reservation, the applicant/owner is agreeing to comply with the statutory limitations and requirements.

CTCAC makes the preliminary reservation only for the project specified above in the form presented, and involving the parties referred to in the application. No changes in the development team or the project as presented will be permitted without the express approval of CTCAC.

The applicant must pay CTCAC a reservation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. Additionally, CTCAC requires the project owner to pay a monitoring fee before issuance of tax forms.

As project costs are preliminary estimates only, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit and state credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs and certified costs after the buildings are placed in service.

All unexpended funds in reserve accounts established for the project must remain with the project to be used for the benefit of the property and/or its residents, except for the portion of any accounts funded with deferred developer fees.

All fees charged to the project must be within CTCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credit when the project is placed-in-service.

If the applicant has requested the use of a CUAC utility allowance, CTCAC's Compliance staff will review the CUAC documentation for this project prior to placed in service. Until written approval is received from CTCAC, this project is not eligible to use a utility allowance based on the CUAC.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by CTCAC at placed-in-service.

Credit awards are contingent upon applicant's acceptance of any revised total project cost, qualified basis, and tax credit amount determined by CTCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

CDLAC Additional Conditions

The applicant/owner is required to comply with the CDLAC Resolution. At the time of the CTCAC placed in service review, CTCAC staff will verify that the project is in compliance with all applicable items of CDLAC Resolution Exhibit A.

If points were awarded by CDLAC for housing type, the project shall comply with the housing type requirements at the time of CTCAC's Placed In Service review. The housing type requirement shall be conditioned in the CTCAC Regulatory Agreement and CTCAC Compliance staff shall verify the project is meeting those housing type requirements, consistent with California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 10322(i).

Point Criteria	New Const. Max. Points	Rehabilitation Max. Points	Points Scored
Preservation and Other Rehabilitation Project Priorities	0	20	0
New Construction Density and Local Incentives	10	0	10
Exceeding Minimum Income Restrictions	20	20	20
Exceeding Minimum Rent Restrictions	10	10	10
General Partner Experience	7	7	7
Management Company Experience	3	3	3
Housing Needs	10	0	10
Leveraged Soft Resources	8	8	8
Readiness to Proceed	10	10	10
Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing	10	0	9
Site Amenities	10	10	10
Service Amenities	10	10	10
Cost Containment	12	12	12
Negative Points	No Maximum		0
Total Points	120	110	119

The criteria for which points are awarded will also be incorporated into the Resolution transferring Allocation to the Applicant as well as the appropriate bond documents and loan and finance agreements.

Tie Breaker: 148.085%