



## Affordable Veterans Housing Connected to Services, Community, and Nature

**Client:** [MidPen Housing](#)

**Site Area:** 2.137 acres

**Density:** 62 units - 29 DUA

**Completion:** Spring 2026

**Construction cost:** \$35 million

**Website:** [VMWP](#)

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Oak Gardens is a 62 unit residential complex located on a 2.137 acre enhanced use lease at the Menlo Park Veterans Administration campus. The housing will serve veterans, including formerly homeless vets, with units for individuals and families. Co-locating the housing on the VA campus provides residents with easy access to VA medical and support staff. The site is also close to services, shops, grocery, restaurants, and is situated in an high opportunity area close to job opportunities and excellent public schools.

The building nestles among large existing heritage trees, with multiple gardens designed around the building to offer a variety of outdoor community spaces. At the ground floor, a double height lobby welcomes residents and visitors alike. Community serving spaces like a large community room & kitchen, VA services for case management meetings, and MidPen resident services/activities also provide a wide range of support for incoming residents.

### Design Features

- Historic Spanish style architecture of the original Menlo Park VA hospital building
- Simple shed roofs provide visual interest
- Strong indoor outdoor integration of building and landscape elements
- Primary outdoor areas are adjacent to the community spaces

### Green Features

- LEED Silver certification
- Large array of photovoltaic panels
- All electric building - electric powered heating & cooling for both residences and common areas, and centralized electric domestic hot water
- Saved mature oak and redwood trees
- Large community garden, dog run, and walking path