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## **Mercy Housing Montebello Announcement**

The Congregation of the Mission Western Province is a community of Catholic priests and brothers that follows the teachings of St. Vincent de Paul and is committed to the communities in which we serve, particularly the most vulnerable. At the center of our planning and our ministries is our faith and our care for others. We are writing today to provide an update about one of the initiatives that uplifts these core values.

One of our apostolates, the DePaul Center, has partnered with Mercy Housing over the last several years to shape a new future for the Center's campus in Montebello, CA, a place we have called home for more than half a century within a community, South Montebello, that we care about. It has been our desire for the DePaul Center campus to be used to provide needed housing for the local community. Working with Mercy Housing and with feedback from the community, we have been progressing steadily.

Unfortunately, some internal developments have arisen that prevent us from achieving the project milestones anticipated for the coming months, and we have decided to revisit the project in early 2024. We have communicated this to Mercy Housing.

The Mercy DePaul Campus project remains an important initiative for us, and our planning is, as always, focused on the poor. Please direct questions to Chris Duggan, Communications Manager for the Vincentians, at <a href="mailto:cduggan@vincentian.org">cduggan@vincentian.org</a>.



## Greetings from Mercy Housing.

As you will see in the attached letter from the Congregation of the Mission, the Vincentian community is sorting through some internal developments that require them to take more time before proceeding with the Future Planning Effort for the De Paul Campus in Montebello. We are pausing these efforts and hope to resume them in early 2024.

We are grateful to the Vincentians and the neighboring community for their sustained interest and participation in the planning work which is focused on bringing high quality, new affordable and market-rate housing and amenities to south Montebello.

We look forward to continuing our work in the new year and will provide pertinent updates through our website at https://mercyhousingmontebello.org. Please direct questions to Sister Amy Bayley, Vice President of Community Planning at Mercy Housing California, abayley@mercyhousing.org, or use the contact link on the website.

Live in Hope,

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