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### FINAL COMMUNITY MEETING FOR 2023 HOUSING ELEMENT

With Santa Cruz County now the most expensive rental market in the U.S., according to the National Low Income Housing Coalition, residents who want to help make sure everyone has access to healthy, safe housing, make housing more affordable and reduce greenhouse gas emissions and commute times are invited to participate in the final community meeting for the 2023-2031 Housing Element.

**June 28**

Watsonville Civic Plaza  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor Community Room  
275 Main St., Watsonville  
5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.

*Food and Spanish translation available.*

Learn more, sign up for updates and submit written comments about the 2023-2031 Housing Element at <https://www.sccoplanning.com/2023HousingElement>.

The Housing Element identifies policies and programs to meet existing and projected housing needs for the urban unincorporated areas of the County. Every eight years, the state requires all counties and cities to update their Housing Element to ensure an adequate supply of housing units can be developed to meet the needs of community members at all income levels.

As required under State law, the Housing Element also includes a review of potential environmental impacts and a robust public participation process.