

Farmworker Housing in Monterey County

Health, Housing, Homelessness, and Human Services Committee

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MONTEREY COUNTY

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

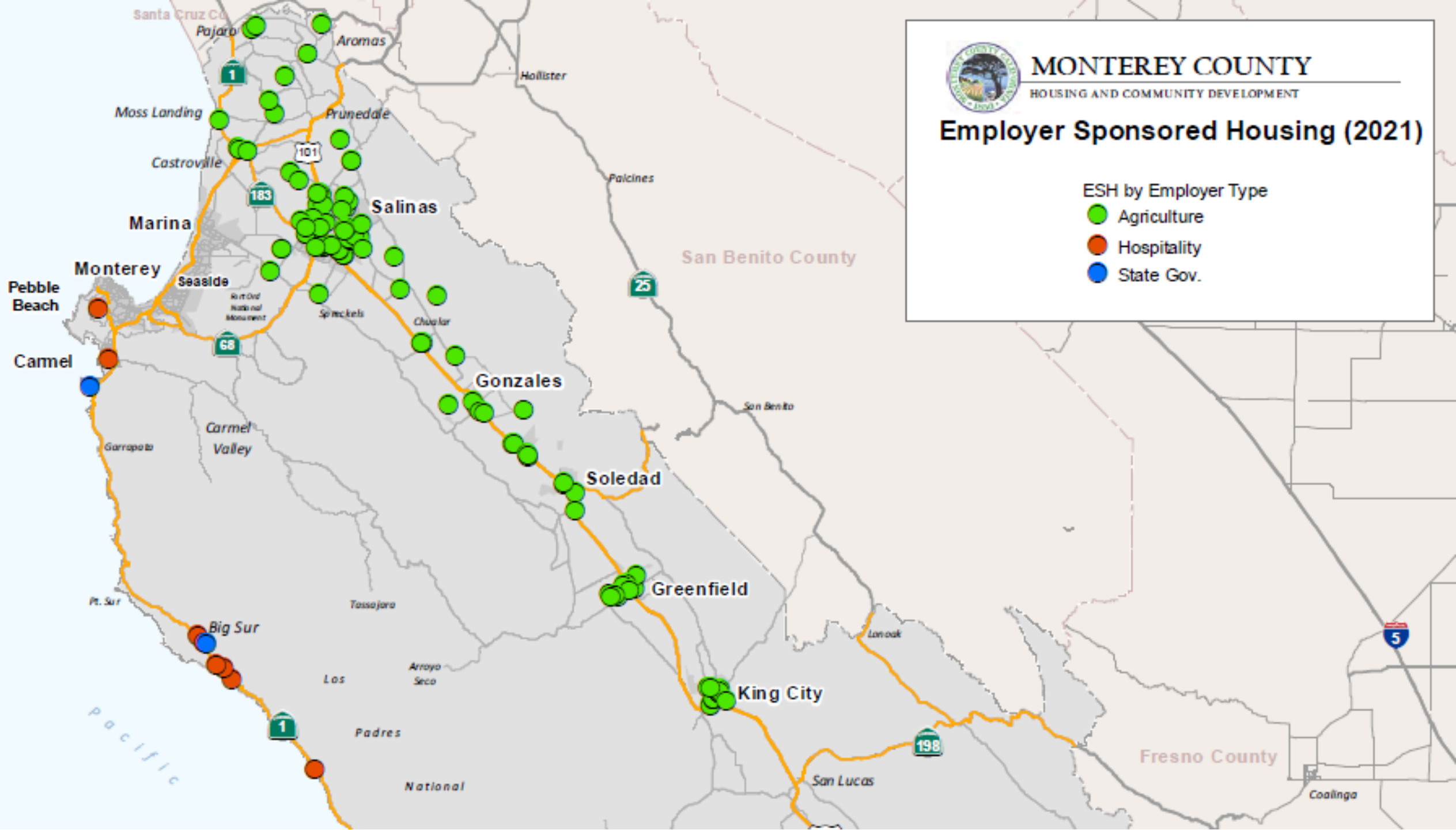
Employer Sponsored Housing (2021)

ESH by Employer Type

● Agriculture

● Hospitality

● State Gov.



Farmworker Housing

- Farmworker Housing Countywide =
 - 136 Permitted Facilities
 - 1,537 Permitted Units
 - 8,011 Permitted Beds
- Unincorporated County
 - 44 Permitted Facilities
 - 3,760 Permitted Beds (47% of all beds)
 - Projects larger, multibed occupancy units

Farmworker Housing Applications

- 2 Projects in Chualar with up to 6,640-beds
- 2 Projects in the Greater Salinas Area with 904-beds
- 1 Project in Pajaro with up to 260-beds

Multi-Agency Coordination

- Employee Housing-Permitting Authority
County Env Health Bureau – unincorporated
 - City of Gonzalez – within its city boundaries
 - State HCD – all other cities
- Land Use Approval Agencies
 - County Departments: PWFP, HCD, Water Resources, Environmental Health Bureau
 - Other Agencies: Fire Districts
- Agricultural Industry

Permit Approval Process

- Special Handling
 - Meet and Greet the applicant
 - HCD Permit Center Operations Manager
 - Submittal by Appointment, Establish Calendar/Timeline
 - Tracking Throughout Process
- Priority Processing
 - Affordable/Farmworker Housing Projects are processed as high priority
- Employee Housing Program – H2A Employees
 - EHB facilitates permitting & inspection
 - Liaison

Countywide Planning and Coordination

- Collaboration
 - Monterey Bay Economic Partnership sub-committees
 - Coordinate with Salinas Valley Cities
- Mapping/Planning
 - Target Areas for Affordable Housing
- Grant Funding-Joe Serna projects (25-50% ag units)
 - Greenfield Commons- 220 units
 - East Garrison- 65 units

Direction

- Receive presentation
- Provide direction to staff