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LOCATION

Los Angeles, CA

TIMELINE

2023—2024

ROLE

Consultant

SERVICES

Building + Interior

Urban + Systems

Landscape

Planning + Policy

Graphic

Engagement

Tactical

Organization

PARTNERS

Century Housing,
The Architects Collective

The new permanent supportive community provides over sixty new homes designed in a hamlet of four 3–4 stories structures, organized around garden walks, patios, and a central courtyard.

City Fabrick led the landscape design, establishing a network of outdoor spaces that provide unique social experiences from the front porch that engages the pedestrian realm of Vanowen Boulevard to the intimate small seating areas nestled amongst the landscape in the elevated deck. The porch, lobby, community room, laundry, bike kitchen, dining patio, main courtyard, are clustered together creating an active central hub for resident activities and programming. Buildings and landscape are used collectively to form the courtyards, patios, and elevated decks including a bosque of trees delineating the main courtyard from the neighboring property while folding grass berms frame the entrances and porch. The buildings are canted to dynamically frame the urban fabric, while creating unique community spaces, and promoting movement throughout the site. An abundance of trees and climbing vines provide shade and greenery to the community spaces managing the local urban heat island while softening the resident spaces.