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Groundbreaking ceremony set for 42-unit North Richmond development

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A groundbreaking ceremony is set for Thursday, May 3 for the Heritage House, a 42-unit multifamily affordable housing development that will be built on Fred Jackson Way between Grove and Chesley avenues in North Richmond.

The [ceremony](#) will start at 11 a.m. at 1540 Fred Jackson Way.

Officials expect the long-planned 40,000 square foot complex by developer Community Housing Development Corporation to be a game-changer for North Richmond, which hasn't seen a multifamily housing development in about 15 years, officials say.

When we [covered the project in December](#), Contra Costa County Supervisor John Gioia predicted the development will be a catalyst for North Richmond's revitalization, attracting commercial options to the area such as a grocery store and restaurants. The project, slated to serve families receiving rental assistance from Section 8 vouchers, is set to include groundfloor space for commercial and retail, officials said.

The \$27 million project was sponsored through collaborative efforts with the county, Contra Costa County Housing Authority and North Richmond Municipal Advisory Council.

At May 3 groundbreaking ceremony, Donald Gilmore, executive director of CHDC, Supervisor Gioia, and other community leaders are expected to speak about the project.