Alameda County Tax Collector Henry “Hank” C. Levy is proud to announce the first completed unit under the Chapter 8 program for low income housing in a partnership with Hello Housing, Inc., the City of Oakland and the Alameda County Board of Supervisors. This is the first of 26 lots that were sold in an effort to meet the county's 2026 vision of providing housing for all in Alameda County.

This unit was sold to Ms. Aurora Barajas an Oakland Public School teacher and a longtime Oakland resident. Ms. Barajas is a single mom of two young girls ages 12 and 14. “My family is so happy that a program like this exists in Oakland, the city I grew up and have worked in schools for the past 16 years. Without this option we may not have had an opportunity to become homeowners in the community that we love due to rising home costs.”

“It gives me great personal satisfaction and pride in how our Department can make a concrete material improvement in people’s lives. The alliance that came together (County, City of Oakland, non-profit, private developers) was remarkable, and there is no reason why this can’t be duplicated many times over,” says Hank.