

VENTURA COUNTY *Showcase*

Anacapa offers extended family solutions

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Many extended families are choosing to live together due to matters of economy and convenience. David and Katherine Hackett, owners of Anacapa Homes, are experts in the concept of shared family environments within modular homes.

"We can create a mini-home as small as 500 square feet up to multifamily dwellings such as duplexes and triplexes. One of our recent success stories is a 4,400 square-foot, single-family home we designed for an extended family situation," said Katherine Hackett.

The home, which is located in the Camarillo Highlands area of Ventura County, was craned to the site in seven sections over a two-day period. Anacapa Homes was able to take drone video of the entire installation, which will be available for viewing on its website.

"The house is absolutely gorgeous, and is top of the line, with hardwood cabinets, soft-close drawers, a walk-in pantry with cabinets and counters, granite countertops and a spa-sized bathroom with a seven-foot jetted tub," said Katherine.

With six bedrooms, four-and-a-half bathrooms, a common kitchen and a great room area, the flexible floor plan was designed to accommodate two families in a single home, with space for caregivers, if necessary. There's also a 15-foot by 89-inch glass sliding door that goes to the deck and has incredible ocean and mountain views.

Here's what the satisfied customer had to say of this Anacapa Homes' project: "What more can be said about a careful, thorough job on the design of the house? We were impressed all the way through the design process. Our suggestions were met quickly with additions or changes to the plans. We are very happy with the results, and we look forward to living in the finished product! Thank you for your time, patience and knowledgeable presentations."

While every scenario is different for each client, Katherine Hackett says that purchasing an extended family dwelling can be financially beneficial for everyone involved.

"Many people come in looking for a combined living space, where the adult children are there



A crane lifts a portion of the home into place on the foundation.

to help their parents, who will have the dignity of having their own space, while the parents can help the kids buy a home," said Katherine.

Sometimes two generations combine funds to benefit the whole family. Often, they will purchase the land outright, and then finance the home, which makes it more affordable and gives immediate equity.

"For example, when we bring in a 3,000-square-foot house that costs \$495,000 for the total project, except the cost of the land, and we put it on private property and the adjacent houses average \$800,000 in that neighborhood, people can walk into their new home with equity."

Another option is the "family compound," where extended families look at larger parcels of land with the idea of putting in a main house and several other houses. These requirements can be discussed with staff at Anacapa Homes,



The home comes together.

whose goal is to provide clients with a plan best suited to their individual needs.

In addition to the Hacketts, team members are broker Jack McMillan, marketing representative Stacy Boccali and architect Don G. Edwards.

"We have so many new potential clients that we are currently looking for another seasoned salesperson," said Katherine.



A rendering shows the proposed home.

Anacapa Homes also helps clients get into traditional mobile home parks in existing homes, and assists some in securing an old home, which is then towed away and a brand new manufactured home put in its place.

For more information, call Anacapa Homes at 640-6575 visit www.anacapahomes.com or 4160 Market St., Suite 6, in Ventura.