Serenity Senior Apartments is a response to the tremendous need for affordable housing for seniors in San Mateo County. The result of a visionary partnership between the City of East Palo Alto and co-developers MidPen Housing and EPA CAN DO, the community provides 41 affordable rental homes to very-low and extremely low income seniors in the heart of East Palo Alto. Serenity Senior Apartments welcomed residents in fall 2017.

Serenity Senior Apartments adds vitality and strength to University Avenue, the City’s main thoroughfare. The site is well serviced by public transportation, and is proximate to many amenities, including local shopping centers, as well as community services like the public library, supermarkets, pharmacies and the local community senior center. This combination of addressing community need while simultaneously improving the neighborhood, was at the core of EPA CAN DO’s initial vision for the development, and was a driving factor in the partnership with MidPen.

The community offers a continuum of care to address the high costs of living and health care for seniors with fixed incomes. Service providers offer a range of health care services and other supportive programs that residents can access. MidPen Services provide additional onsite services – all designed to help the senior residents live healthy, independent lives.