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## February Web Links

[http://www.abodeservices.org/about\\_tours.html](http://www.abodeservices.org/about_tours.html)  
Come tour one of the sites where Abode Services is hard at work preventing homelessness in Alameda County. Theresa Dias will be one of your hosts at the February 17<sup>th</sup> tour of Sunrise Village in Fremont at 1pm. [RSVP](#) today!

<http://www.habitateb.org/restore>  
Time to clean out the garage? Donate those unused building materials to Habitat For Humanity.

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## Newsflash:

### New Statewide "CalGreen" Building Code

The California Building Standards Commission recently voted to adopt [changes to the state building code](#) that will put CA at the forefront of green design. This is an incredible precedent to incorporate this level of sustainability as a statewide regulation affecting all new construction.

[We're excited](#) to witness California's adoption of the greenest building standards in the US, and look forward to seeing sustainability become business-as-usual in the construction marketplace. The changes go into effect in 2011.

## SDA Volunteers with First Alameda Green Expo!

We're excited to join the AAOR ([Alameda Association of Realtors](#)) as an Affiliate Member. SDA values community involvement and so does this group; we are volunteering on the planning committee for their upcoming first annual Alameda Green Expo. The event will be on July 17 and will showcase vendors and speakers focused on sharing new green home and lifestyle opportunities. As a fundraiser, it will benefit local nonprofit groups. Look for more information in the coming months.

## SDArchi Blog:

### 'It's One Thing to Decorate the Nursery...'



January's blog updates included insight on our collaborative design [approach](#) as well as thoughts on the need for [teamwork](#) during construction. Check it out - and then leave us some commentary of your own!

## SDA FanPage:

### February Drawing - Enter to Win Today!

[Become a Fan](#) of SDA on Facebook and find out how to enter our February drawing for this coffee table book about artist Piet Mondrian, AND a Starbucks gift card. If we reach our goal of 300 fans by the end of the month, everyone will be entered into the drawing - so invite your friends!



## Project of the Month:

### Affordable Townhomes in the Silicon Valley



SDA is excited about the wonderful things going on in Santa Clara County with [Habitat For Humanity Silicon Valley](#). The South Bay is a very international region where higher-density development is becoming more and more commonplace.

In Sunnyvale, we are working with HFHSV on a feasibility study for affordable townhomes for homeownership.

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