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## **Wattenbarger Architects opens office in Petaluma, California**

**PETALUMA, Calif.** – Wattenbarger Architects, a firm dedicated exclusively to the design of housing for older adults, has opened a second office in Petaluma, California. The office is located in the heart of Petaluma’s historic district at 260 A Petaluma Blvd N, a 30 minute drive north of San Francisco and will operate as **Wattenbarger Associates, PLLC**.

The new office is a reflection of the company’s growth in the older adult housing market, according to firm president and CEO Ross Jones.

“From the California office we will be able to more directly serve existing and new client projects in California, the Southwest, and southern Oregon. This is a natural outgrowth of our clients’ success as well as our own. This is very exciting chapter in our history.”

The firm’s current projects include the design of a 224-unit community in Santa Rosa, California for Seattle-based Gencare, Inc.; a 188-unit continuing care retirement community (CCRC) in Medford, Oregon for Canyon Creek Development; and a 350-unit CCRC in Goodyear, Arizona.

Jones will manage the opening of the Petaluma office and will continue as CEO of the firm. Vice president John Shoesmith will assume the day-to-day management of the Bellevue, Wash. office.

## **About Wattenbarger Architects**

Wattenbarger Architects' mission is "improving the quality of life for seniors through design." The firm has designed more than 16,000 units of senior housing covering the full continuum of care in 19 states. Established in 1987, the firm's clients include non-profit as well as commercial clients, including Leisure Care, Lytle Enterprises, Aegis Living, Avamere, Shelter Resources, Sound Health, Oakmont Senior Living, and Equity Residential. Wattenbarger Architects was named one of Washington's "Best Companies to Work For" by *Washington CEO* magazine in 2007. [www.wattenbarger.com](http://www.wattenbarger.com)

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