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Self-Help Enterprises to build homes in Madera, Traver

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Self-Help Enterprises is getting ready to build new single-family homes in Madera and Traver.

The Visalia-based affordable nonprofit housing developer is working on the second phase of its Parksdale development off Road 29 and Avenue 13 1/2 in Madera. The groundwork – roads, curbs and utility lines – has started with the construction of 40 new homes to follow.

Parksdale already has 49 single-family homes and two apartment complexes with 96 units completed

in the development's first phase.

The Traver project is expected to begin this month. The plan is to build 11 homes on the northwest corner of Canal and Jacobs drive, south of Traver Elementary School.

Self-Help currently builds a three-bedroom, 1,210 square foot house and a four-bedroom, 1,360 square foot house, both with two bathrooms.

In other company news, the builder was one of nine organizations nationwide to receive a portion of a \$170,000 grant from NeighborWorks America and GRID Alternatives to install solar panels on single and multi-family homes in low-income communities.

Self-Help will use the grant to provide solar to 12 homes in the Gail Estates community in Tulare