

My family and I are against the closure of SDC because it is a jewel of Sonoma County. We hold lifelong cherished memories of time at the animal farm, hikes of the gorgeous trails, and a volunteer training position in the employee office in 1994. I speak for many when I say this place is uniquely beautiful and tranquil not only for the clients and personnel but also for citizens who drive through and hike its trails.

To keep SDC viable, why not house MORE clients and hire MORE Sonoma county employees? Open up the grounds and lawns to public events. Let medical field students to internships there, rent housing there. I see countless ways to NOT close down a most unique, beautiful place that needs to remain as it has for 120 years.

Sincerely,  
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