



# WESTVILLAGES

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## **West Villages #4 In Top-Selling Master Planned Communities**

West Villages, FL— West Villages in south Sarasota County placed in the number four slot on the annual John Burns Real Estate Consulting list of top-selling master planned communities in the United States. There were 848 new home sales in West Villages in 2016. The West Villages is comprised of four existing neighborhoods—Sarasota National, Gran Paradiso, Grand Palm and Island Walk—with three new neighborhoods starting this year.

“The West Villages makes its debut on our list this year as four communities in the MPC recently combined marketing efforts,” stated Kristine Smale, Manager of Florida for John Burns. “The 8,000 acre property is already home to several national builders, including Lennar, DiVosta and WCI Communities. Located in Venice, the West Villages offers homes across all price points and primarily targets retirees and second-home buyers, but has also attracted families due to the highly-ranked Sarasota County schools. With three new neighborhoods opening in 2017, we expect additional builders to enter the masterplan this year.”

“We’re proud to make this list and to start by placing in the top five,” stated West Villages’ General Manager Martin Black, AICP ICMA-CM. “West Villages is a desirable place for people of all walks of life. We are perfectly situated between Florida’s Gulf of Mexico and the Wild & Scenic Myakka River. This is a thoughtfully planned new town close to all the services, entertainment, education and arts that south Sarasota county offers.

Mattamy Homes is beginning construction in Renaissance at West Villages and D.R. Horton is planning to build in The Preserve at West Villages. An additional builder will build in the Oasis at West Villages. Later this quarter, the first phase of a retail, restaurant and entertainment destination will begin.

“We anticipate that will fuel even greater activity here as people see their new town taking shape,” added Black.

Attached: John Burns Top-Selling Master Plans

### ***About West Villages***

*The 10,000 acres that comprise the West Villages ([www.MyWestVillages.com](http://www.MyWestVillages.com)) are located adjacent to the US Highway 41 corridor in South Sarasota County between the urban centers of the City of Venice and the City of North Port. The community is being developed by a partnership that includes Mattamy Homes ([www.MattamyHomes.com](http://www.MattamyHomes.com)), the largest privately owned home builder in North America, and Vanguard Land, one of the region’s premier and well-respected land developers.*