Upcoming Project on the Health Sciences Campus: Student Housing

The University has partnered with American Campus Communities (“ACC”) to deliver a second phase of student housing (following the opening of Currie Hall, with 456 student beds); the new building will add approximately 174 beds to the Health Sciences Campus. The new student housing is right next to Currie Hall, and is within walking distance to all Health Science Buildings and is additionally serviced by a campus shuttle.

This new student housing building is expected to reduce the impact of students renting in the surrounding neighborhoods and driving to campus in individual cars, relieving pressure on traffic congestion (especially during rush hour) and parking, a benefit to neighbors in Lincoln Heights, Boyle Heights, El Sereno, Ramona Gardens, and City Terrace.

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BUILDING A HEALTHY COMMUNITY

Fast Facts

- Land Donation—USC agreed to give land valued at $1.5 million to the City’s Department of Recreation and Parks; creating the continuation of Norfolk Street onto Soto Street and preserving Hazard Park space for the community.

- Park Improvements—USC provided $1 million in park improvements to Hazard Park, complete with a new outdoor exercise circuit.

- Improved Streets and Sidewalks—USC is investing $45 million in improvements to the campus, including undergrounding of utility lines, widening of roadways, creating walking paths, and planting green spaces.
USC in the Community

The University of Southern California is committed to improving the lives of all Angelenos, especially our partners in the communities we serve. Through teaching, K-12 educational enrichment programs, patient care, and a broad range of programs throughout the year, our students, faculty, medical professionals strive to build healthy and strong communities. The following represents a small selection of the many ways USC strives to support our local neighborhoods.

EDUCATION

**USC Family of Schools**
Partnering with Francisco Bravo Medical Magnet High School, Griffin Elementary School, Murchison Elementary School, El Sereno Middle School, and Sheridan Street Elementary School with enrichment activities.

**COLLEGE PREPARATION**

**Leslie and William McMorrow Neighborhood Academic Initiative (NAI)**
NAI is a rigorous, seven-year pre-college enrichment program designed to prepare students from South and East Los Angeles for admission to a college or university. NAI graduates who earn admission to USC are granted a full-tuition scholarship.

**PHYSICAL FITNESS AND WELLNESS**

**Fit Families**
*USC Physical Therapy and Kinesiology Fit Families (Held on Saturdays at Bravo Medical Magnet High School)*
Providing free wellness physical therapy services to underserved children, ages 7-17 and their families in the local community diagnosed with or at high risk for diabetes and conditions associated with physical inactivity. Physical therapists, USC DPT students, and other volunteers oversee the exercise and education provided to participants.

**STEM CAREERS**

**Physician Assistant Pipeline Program**
High school students are mentored by volunteers from the Keck School of Medicine of USC Physician Assistant program. Students are introduced to a wide range of health professions while attending workshops and practicing clinical skills. Topics include neurology, anatomy and physiology, nutrition, first-aid and more. Students learn first-hand about career opportunities in the health care field.

**HEALTHY AGING**

**Healthy Aging at Lincoln Heights Senior Center**
A series of educational sessions funded by the Keck/Norris Community Grant Program.

**HEALTHFUL FOOD OPTIONS**

**Farmers Market and Veggie Bucks**
Held each Tuesday on the health science campus, the farmers market brings fresh options to the community including 50 bags of fresh fruits and vegetables delivered each week to families through the Hazard Park Recreation Center. The “veggie bucks” program provides low-cost options for fresh produce: visitors can buy a wooden coin (veggie buck) for $5 and receive $10 of fresh fruits and vegetables at the nearby stalls.