Update for Community Groups – March 2015

About UC San Diego - The University of California, San Diego is a student-centered, research-focused, service-oriented public university that provides opportunity for all. Recognized as one of the top 15 research universities worldwide, a culture of collaboration sparks discoveries that advance society and drive economic impact. Our students, who learn from Nobel laureates, MacArthur fellows and National Academy members, are committed to public service. For the fourth consecutive year, UC San Diego has been ranked first in the nation based on research, civic engagement and social mobility. We are one campus with multiple pillars of excellence, a top ten public university that is transforming lives, shaping new disciplines and advancing the frontiers of knowledge. Learn more at www.ucsd.edu.

PROJECTS

Location of instructional and research facilities, as well as necessary campus support facilities, such as housing and parking, is directed by UC San Diego’s Long Range Development Plan (LRDP), which is prepared in response to campus enrollment and population projections. Available on the Physical and Community Planning website at http://physicalplanning.ucsd.edu/projects/index.html is the Capital Improvements Status Map which is an interactive map where major campus projects are identified by location and are linked to detailed project information sheets.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

CENTER FOR NOVEL THERAPEUTICS (CNT)

The CNT Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) was released for a 45-day state mandated public review period extending from March 3 through April 16.

To view/download the Draft EIR, please click on the following link and you will be taken to the pdf; there is no need to login http://physicalplanning.ucsd.edu/environmental/CNT/EIR/UCSD%20CNT%20DEIR%20March%202015.pdf

A public hearing on the Draft EIR will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at UC San Diego’s Ida and Cecil Green Faculty Club (enter the UCSD Campus via Muir College Drive and follow the signs to the Faculty Club parking lot P206. Park in spaces marked "Reserved for Faculty Club"). Enter the building on the west side and ask the receptionist for a parking pass to place on your car dashboard. The hearing will be held in the Faculty Club's Seuss Library. Directions can be found here.

Written comments on the adequacy of this Draft EIR can be provided by email or they can be mailed to:
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The Center for Novel Therapeutics, located within the 30 acre Science Research Park (SRP) on the UC San Diego East Campus is led by BioMed Realty and will promote creation of new and innovative therapeutic treatments through research conducted by UC San Diego investigators and private sector collaborators in shared space. The project proposes the construction of approximately 110,000 gross square feet in a 3-story building. A combination of approximately 366 below grade and surface parking spaces would be provided. The program would also include laboratories, bioengineering core facilities, clinical and research support spaces, vivarium, lecture hall, and offices. The project is anticipated to achieve Leadership in Energy Efficiency Design (LEED) Gold rating from the U.S. Green Building Council.
UCSD Community Planning Newsletter and Website Information

The newsletter, together with project information sheets and an interactive map of campus projects is available on the UCSD Physical and Community Planning website at http://physicalplanning.ucsd.edu Visit the website to learn more about campus development with accompanying information on specific projects.

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The Basement is Open for Business
New UC San Diego Student Entrepreneurial Center - Launched Feb. 6

“I was thinking how appropriate this name, The Basement, is,” said UC San Diego Chancellor Pradeep K. Khosla at the Feb. 6 launch of the campus’s new incubator/accelerator program for student entrepreneurs. “You think about companies that started in a garage or started in a basement—and that’s the whole idea. We want to create a space for our students where they can not only grow, but where we actively nurture them, and nurture their good ideas.”

In 2014, Forbes named San Diego the No. 1 place for startups. UC San Diego, a key contributor to the local economy, inspires our region’s entrepreneurial spirit by serving as an incubator of ideas, innovation and invention. The Basement—a new collaborative, connective space for the campus’s community of student innovators—continues this tradition of entrepreneurism. Programs will educate students in the startup business process … whether it’s evaluating an opportunity, founding a firm or joining a young company. The Basement is operated by Alumni and Community Engagement (ACE).

Greeting a standing room only crowd at The Basement launch event, Armin Afsahi, associate vice chancellor for advancement and chief alumni officer, said, “More than a year ago, Chancellor Khosla did one of the most daring and bold moves in higher education—he vertically aligned our program in alumni relations and industry engagement with career and professional development for our students, and the purpose for that was very simple: to build a very strong, sustainable and nurturing environment where we remain committed to the success and mobility of our students. Today is a celebration not just for his vision, but a vision of three of our graduates who got excited about building a shared space called The Basement.”

The three UC San Diego alumni who were key drivers in launching The Basement are all involved in the venture capital industry: Jeff Belk, managing director of ICT 168 Capital, LLC; Mark Suster, partner at UpFront Ventures; and Aryeh B. Bourkoff, chief executive officer of Lion Tree LLC.

Located in the lowest level of UC San Diego’s Mandeville Center, The Basement is designed to house up to 16 student teams, offering the resources to fully equip and prepare them to create successful “go to market” strategies. The Basement is open to all UC San Diego students, regardless of school or department affiliation. Programs will include:

- Seekers, an exploratory program for students who have entrepreneurial aspirations. There is no application for this program and it is open to all UC San Diego students;
- Incubator, providing student teams access to business development, financial planning, marketing and more. Students must apply to the program, which makes them eligible for seed funding; and
- Accelerator, assisting student teams in raising capital to scale their businesses. Students must apply to the program, which makes them eligible for seed funding.

Other resources and events will help nourish entrepreneurial student development, experiential learning, venture readiness, and exit strategy and preparation.

For more information visit http://ucsdnews.ucsd.edu/feature/the_basement_is_open_for_business