Hold the Date - November 19th from 4 pm to 7 pm – UC San Diego Physical and Community Planning invites you to a Community Open House at the Forum Hall, University Town Center (above Wells Fargo Bank). RSVP to adelouri@ucsd.edu

About UC San Diego - The University of California, San Diego is a student-centered, research-focused, service-oriented public institution 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 UC San Diego 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.

UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION

SIO Meander Expansion – Anticipated to begin construction later this month the SIO Meander Expansion is located in the Scripps Institution of Oceanography (SIO). This project proposes to develop a new, publicly available trail on its campus, affording sweeping ocean views of the San Diego coastline from La Jolla Cove to Torrey Pines State Beach, from a coastal terrace 150-200 feet above the beach. The trail features a sensitively designed pathway and boardwalk along a west-facing slope, connecting two existing coastal overlook sites already being developed at Scripps. Adding to the state’s network of coastal trails, this trail is an extension of the Scripps Coastal Meander and will be mapped and signed as part of the California Coastal Trail. Funds for this project have been obtained from a California Coastal Conservancy Grant and SIO.

NEWS

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.

UCSD NEWS

For UCSD News visit http://ucsdnews.ucsd.edu/

UC SAN DIEGO’S ONGOING COMMITMENT TO CONSERVE WATER

With California facing one of the most severe droughts on record, UC San Diego has continued to make water conservation one of our greatest priorities. When the State of California and City of San Diego mandated several water use restrictions this summer, the campus took immediate action. In full compliance with these restrictions, we have committed to:

 Stopping water leaks upon discovery or within 72 hours of notification
 Watering before 10 a.m. and after 6 p.m.
 Prohibiting excessive irrigation
 Ensuring all decorative water fountains use recirculating pumps
In addition, we have identified 352,000 square feet of turf to be converted to low/no-water-use landscape using drought-tolerant plants and groundcover. We are in the process of converting nearly half of the area specified—128,000 square feet—which will save an estimated 2.7 million gallons annually. Once all areas are converted, the campus will save approximately nine million gallons per year. Turf conversion signs have been and will continue to be posted at various sites throughout campus.

These efforts complement the steps we have already taken to significantly reduce our water usage. Some of these steps include:

- Decreasing overall water use by 20 percent over the next five years
- Being a leader in the use of reclaimed water for landscaping—the 30 percent is irrigated with recycled water
- Installing efficient water fixtures and irrigation equipment
- Reducing watering schedules campus-wide
- Ensuring that new construction and renovations meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards
- Converting the Central Utility Plant to a recycled water system, which will save the campus an estimated 150 million gallons of potable water annually once completed.

While the campus is making every effort to reduce water consumption through operations, each one of us must do our part to conserve this valuable resource. Every action, from taking a shorter shower to turning off the faucet while washing your hands, makes a difference. For a water leak on campus, report it online at wsc@ucsd.edu or call the Facilities Management Customer Relations Help Desk at (858) 534-2930.

To learn more about water conservation measures at UC San Diego and water-saving tips, visit [http://sustainability.ucsd.edu](http://sustainability.ucsd.edu).

**Academic Year Begins for UC San Diego Students with New Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs**

Approximately 31,000 UC San Diego undergraduate and graduate students return back to school Oct. 2 to begin fall quarter. The class includes an estimated 4,900 incoming freshmen and 2,400 new transfer students. The incoming freshmen have an overall grade-point average of 4.07 and average SAT Reasoning scores of 616, 679, and 639 respectively, for Critical Reading, Math and Writing. The campus’s new transfer students bring with them a 3.61 grade-point average.

This fall also marks the beginning of Juan González’s tenure as UC San Diego’s Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs. González has served as Vice President for Student Affairs at a number of prestigious universities over a 22-year period; most recently, he held the position at the University of Texas at Austin, which has a student population of more than 50,000. González’s responsibilities at UC San Diego will include the development, assessment and improvement of services that meet and support the needs of students and the university’s mission. Some of the goals he has outlined include creating partnerships and collaborations throughout the UC San Diego campus community on issues affecting the health and wellbeing of students as well as issues relating to retention and academic success of students.

New and returning students will find a number of new projects, facilities and initiatives underway on campus. This fall, Revelle College will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the start of fall classes for UC San Diego first undergraduates, who arrived on campus in 1964, with the grand opening of the college’s new dining hall, 64 degrees. The eatery, named by current students, pays homage to both the college’s pioneer class and the average temperature of the ocean off the La Jolla coast. The renovated dining hall is designed to give customers more dining and seating options than its predecessor, the Plaza.

In addition, a food pantry will soon be established at the Student Center. The pantry is scheduled to be in operation in winter quarter and will provide non-perishable free food to UC San Diego students who may be experiencing food insecurity. “As cost of living and college expenses increase, some students are faced with difficult decisions as to how their money will be allocated,” said interim University Centers Director, Sharon Van Bruggen. “Establishing a food pantry on campus will provide needed relief to students who may not have nutritious and varied food options on a daily basis. It will help ensure the academic success to students of all backgrounds.”

Students will also have the opportunity to take part in a campus sanctioned “Graffiti Art Park” at the Student Center. The park will be an outdoor outlet of creative expression, constructed with about eight individual, double-sided 8-by-4-foot plywood billboards. Graffiti Art Park’s opening event will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on October 13th. Event organizers will be providing a limited amount of spray paint cans for students and will be showcasing the graffiti artwork of three artists, two of whom are UC San Diego undergraduate students. The unfenced area will give students access to the park daily.

For more information on the start of fall quarter at UC San Diego, go to: [http://welcomeweek.ucsd.edu](http://welcomeweek.ucsd.edu)