

Moving Towards a New Home for the School

The UC Berkeley School of Public Health continues to excel in its mission of preparing tomorrow's public health professionals—even as it operates out of makeshift, temporary quarters scattered across the Berkeley campus. Imagine what the School could accomplish if it had facilities commensurate with the scale of its mission.

Picture a new, state-of-the-art building—the centerpiece of a planned Community Health Campus on Berkeley Way. The 180,000-square-foot facility will centralize all public health teaching and research, with classrooms, lecture halls, laboratories, conference rooms, and offices equipped with the latest in information and communication technology. Raising the funds necessary to make this a reality is one of the goals of The Campaign for the School of Public Health.

Currently, the State Department of Public Health building is located at the site.

That building, which is seismically unsafe, will be demolished. The new building will be designed and constructed according to UC Berkeley's landmark Green Building Policy and Clean Energy Standard.

"These new facilities are critical if the School is to continue to attract and retain top-tier faculty, enroll greater numbers of qualified applicants, and equip them with the skills to meet society's health needs," says **Dean Stephen Shortell**. "Having a home for the School will encourage greater collaboration and



high-quality work will further strengthen our reputation as a community resource and enable us to compete more effectively in the grant arena."

The School of Public Health plans to be the first unit to move to the Community Health Campus; however, others could soon follow. Possible neighbors for the School include the School of Optometry, the clinical portion of the Psychology Department, and part of the Helen Wills Neuroscience Institute. 📍



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