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RE: Charge to the work group to update our student housing strategic plan

Dear Colleagues,

The campus presently has four significant student housing projects underway or recently completed – including at *People's Park* and *Anchor House* for undergraduate students, as well as *Albany Village* and *Intersection* for graduate students and postdoctoral researchers. Despite these enormous strides, student housing access will continue to be an existential consideration for our campus, which operates in one of the most expensive regions in the country while seeking to attract outstanding students from all income backgrounds.

In light of this, we write to ask you to serve on a work group to provide us with high level advice regarding what project sites and capacities the campus should prioritize for feasibility study. In this way, you will help us establish concepts to add to our pipeline of undergraduate and graduate student housing projects. The Campus Architect should supply the work group with sites to consider. Sites that come to mind for your evaluation include (in no particular order): parking garage on Ellsworth Street, Legends Aquatic Center, Banway Building, Anna Head, Oxford Tract, Upper Hearst, Smyth-Fernwald, Clark Kerr, Foothill, the space between Unit 2 and People's Park, and a rebuild of Unit 3.

The work group should provide a brief statement that can serve as an addendum to UC Berkeley's [2017 Housing Master Plan Task Force Report](#). We ask that you provide your report by June 30, 2022 so that an Administration-Senate conversation can proceed in the fall 2022 semester informed by your work.

Sincerely,

Carol T. Christ
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Interim Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost

Links: [2021 Long Range Development Plan](#)
[2017 Housing Master Plan Task Force Report](#)
[2018 Enrollment Work Group Report](#)