

Chancellor's Affordable Housing Task Force  
April 23, 2018 Chair's Update

**Working Assumptions Undergirding the Work of the Task Force:**

- There is a real and very urgent affordable housing crisis that is having major impacts on UC Davis students. We intend to document this with data in our final report/recommendations.
- Our understanding of our charge is to identify potential actions the campus and/or others might take to pursue effective solutions to this crisis.
  - These can include both short-term and longer-term ideas.
  - They can include steps the campus can take directly as well as actions that might require the cooperation of the city or other entities in the region or state.
  - They can include both incremental shifts in existing policies and programs and/or more innovative and fundamental changes in how we do business.
- In the relatively short time we have for our work, we hope to hear from as many individuals or groups as possible who have constructive ideas related to our charge.
- We will do our best to meet the June 30 deadline for our report to the Chancellor.

**Task Force Contact List**

To inform our work, we have been in touch with a wide range of individuals since the task force was announced in February. To date, the following individuals have contacted the task force chair, or have been contacted for information relevant to the task force charge. Others who wish to provide comments, data, or suggestions to inform the task force work can contact chair David Campbell directly at [dave.c.campbell@ucdavis.edu](mailto:dave.c.campbell@ucdavis.edu) or leave comments on the following site: [https://ucdavis.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_0ibNEiM9RawzvQF](https://ucdavis.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0ibNEiM9RawzvQF). This site was set up after working with the Chancellor's office to establish a web link where comments can be shared by anyone. To date, 6 responses have been received.

Other contacts:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>Content/concerns</b>	<b>Date of initial contact or mtg</b>
Paul Majestic	Campus fundraiser and local realtor	Offered support	Feb. 12
Anthony Palmere	UCD TAPS	Ensuring that transportation/housing are looked at jointly	Feb. 13
Josh Dalavai	ASUCD outgoing President	Solicit his ideas	Feb. 14
Keith Taylor	Cooperative Extension Specialist	Expert in cooperatives and has ideas for student housing cooperatives	Feb. 14
Marilyn Derby	Student Judicial Affairs	Solicited her ideas as she staffed 2015	Feb. 16

		graduate student housing committee	
Steve Wheeler	Professor in Landscape Architecture	Has spring class that might assist our work	Feb. 16
Jonathan London	Professor in Community and Regional Development	His fall 2017 CRD Community and Youth Development class gathered data	Feb. 16
Jon Li	Local resident	Integrating housing into broader economic development planning for Davis	Feb. 19
Carlos Garcia	CAO, Interdisciplinary Studies, Hart Hall	Ensure voices of their students and staff are heard	Feb. 26
Bob Segar and Matt Dulcich	Campus Planning, Local Government Relations	Soliciting their ideas	February 26
Michael Rawls	MA Student	Was part of Students for Democratic Society meeting on Jan. 26 that raised issues related to our charge	March 3
Susan Handy	Professor, Environmental Science and Policy Department	Consulted for housing information in campus transportation survey	March 4
Georgina Valencia	Local realtor	City dynamics	March 5
Adela de la Torre	Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs	Interviewed for her perspectives on the issues	March 5
Alyssa West	Program Coordinator, Chicana/o Studies	Did master's thesis work on affordable housing issues facing students; shared her data and perspectives	March 7
Stella Mancillas	Graduate Program Coordinator, Native American Studies	Ensure voices of their students and staff are heard	March 7
Alma Martinez	Student Affairs Officer, Chicana/o Studies	Ensure voices of their students and staff are heard	March 7
AJ Ballesteros	First year Sociology student and member of Students for a Democratic Society and Latinx Student Union	Inquiry about task force meetings	March 9
Ellie White	Ph.D. Student, Department of Civil Engineering	Shared resolution on affordable housing passed by the ASUCD	March 16

		and GSA	
Albee Wei	Transportation Technology and Policy Graduate Group	Consulted for help mining transportation survey data	April 3
Samantha Ramalingam	Dean's Office, College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences	Shared article on homelessness among college students	April 6
Donald Kalman	Davis Social Services Commission	Invited task force chair/members to discussion at May 21 Social Services Commission meeting	April 16
Bernadette Austin	Center for Regional Change	Regional affordable housing issues	Forthcoming meeting
Rob Weiner	Executive Director, California Coalition for Rural Housing	Affordable housing issues at state level	Forthcoming meeting
Daryl Rutherford	City of Davis Planning Commission	City/regional affordable housing issues	Forthcoming meeting

### Task Force Activities

The following activities have occurred since the task force was charged on February 9, 2018:

- The task force chair, David Campbell, met individually with each task force member to solicit perspectives on the issues and our task force work. This included meeting with both the outgoing and incoming ASUCD Presidents.
- **An initial task force meeting was held March 8.** At this meeting we introduced ourselves to one another, brainstormed on the topic of “what is the right question” to be asking about affordable housing, and made plans for regular meetings during Spring quarter. The chair shared a list of individuals who had either contacted him or been contacted by him for information.
- We secured funding from the Chancellor's office to hire a spring quarter GSR to support the data and information gathering needs of the task force. Rob Saper was hired.
- **A second task force meeting was held on April 3.** At this meeting we invited Bob Segar, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Campus Planning and Environmental Stewardship, and Matt Dulcich, Manager, Government and Community Relations to have a conversation with the task force about the university's long range development plan and related issues impacting housing affordability. Task force members engaged in an extensive period of Q&A with our guests. Following their visit the task force brainstormed ideas for types of data we need to support our work.
- **A third task force meeting was held on April 17.** At this meeting we invited task force member Emily Galindo and two staff from Student Housing and Dining Services to a conversation about housing operations, service provision, design, and financing. Mike Sheehan, Director of Facilities Services, and Branden Pettitt, Director of Student Development shared information

with the task force. Subsequent to that conversation, we heard from member Jeanelle Hope about plans to have the task force meet with the Graduate Student Association at one of its coffee/bagel/doughnut days. Also, GSR Rob Saper shared preliminary work resulting from his data gathering and analysis efforts.

- The chair and other task force members attended the Affordable Student Housing public forum hosted by the Davis Vanguard at Davis Community Church on Wednesday, April 18.

### **Upcoming events**

- We plan to meet once a week for the remainder of Spring Quarter.
- On April 24 chair Campbell will meet with Professor Steve Wheeler's LDA class to discuss the committee charge, prior to their initiating work on affordable housing as part of their class assignments. On May 15 the class will present findings and task force members are invited.
- At our April 24 meeting Associate Professor Jonathan London from the Department of Human Ecology and students from his fall class will present the work the class did on affordable housing issues.
- At our May 1 meeting, Chancellor Gary May and Karl Engelbach are scheduled to meet with the Task Force.
- On May 21 the task force is invited to have a conversation with the Davis Social Services Commission at their regular monthly meeting.
- As we get later in the quarter, the task force will spend less time hearing from others and more time working to develop a consensus on key recommendations.