

✓ Site chosen for homeless ^{UCSC} College Eight

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SANTA CRUZ — Construction may begin early next year on a \$20.7-million complex for UCSC's College Eight, which has occupied temporary quarters in Clark Kerr Hall since 1973.

UC Regents approved plans for the college complex at their most recent meeting in Los Angeles. The complex will be located on an 18-acre site on the west side of the campus, between Porter and Oakes colleges.

The state will cover \$4.3 million of development costs for classrooms and faculty and administration offices.

The remaining \$16.4 million, much of which will be for construction of on-campus housing, will come from revenue bonds that ultimately will be repaid with student room-and-board fees.

Last spring, students held protest rallies against the university's plans to use student fees for the \$1-million-plus relocation of a stretch of Heller Drive that now runs through the proposed college site.

But shortly after the regents' approval of the plans, UCSC Chancellor Robert Stevens said campus officials have worked to eliminate student

concerns. "I have managed to find the money (for the road relocation) elsewhere," Stevens said, although he did not specify the source of the funds.

College Eight now has faculty, administrators, staff and classroom facilities similar to UCSC's other seven colleges, but it has no housing for its approximately 1,500 students, many of whom are graduate and older re-entry students. Some College Eight students are housed in the dorms of other colleges; the rest live off-campus.

The new complex will feature dorms for 360 residents and dining facilities large enough to serve students from College Eight and nearby Oakes College. Plans call for apartments for another 240 College Eight residents.

College Eight will be designed by Douglas Tom of the San Francisco architectural firm of Simon Martin-Vegue Winkelstein Moris, along with architects in the UCSC Office of Campus Facilities. Cathy Simon, a principal partner in the San Francisco firm, designed the Elena Baskin Arts Studios at UCSC.