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UC in Your District

The University of California's reach goes well beyond its 10 campuses, five medical centers and three national laboratories. The University's presence is felt in each of California's 58 counties through a wide array of exemplary community partnerships, enriching cultural resources and innovative research programs. From health-care education for rural physicians to agricultural research advice for local farmers to college preparation efforts in nearly every public school, UC has a direct influence in your community. Find out more about UC programs in your district by visiting:

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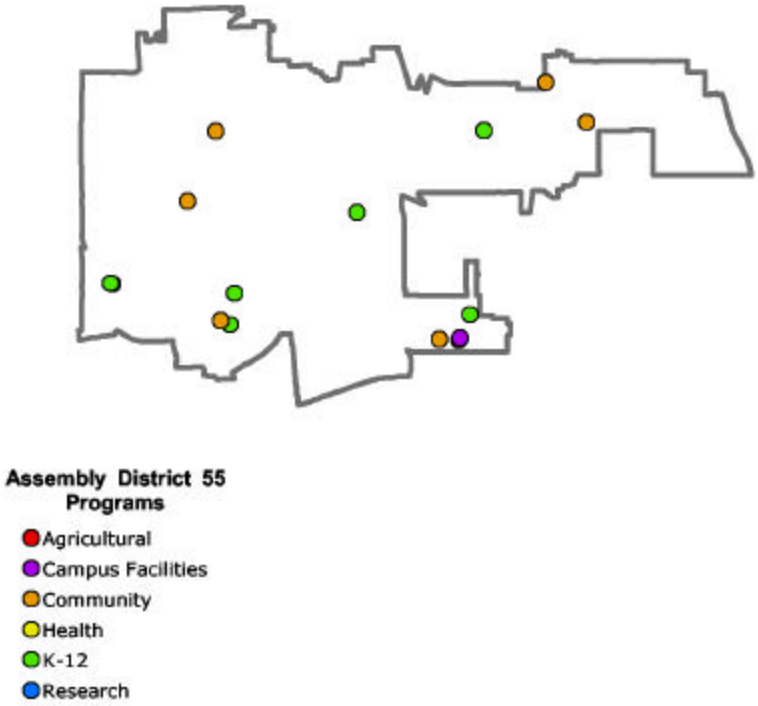

UCLA MEDICAL CENTER

UCLA Medical Center provides services throughout District 55, and is known for its pioneering advancements in organ transplantation and ultrasound and is ranked # 1 in the West by *U.S. News and World Report*. More than 300,000 people, **including a disproportionate share of the state's poor and uninsured,** are cared for at UCLA Medical Center each year**. UCLA's Mattel Children's Hospital** offers a full range of specialty health services for children. The medical center serves as **a training site for physicians and as a research center that drives innovations in life-saving drugs and surgical procedures.**

UC ARTS OUTREACH

UC Santa Cruz's African American Theater Arts Troupe is dedicated to providing an outlet for the creativity and talents of underrepresented students through plays, presentations and workshops on campus and throughout the community. The troupe provides scholarships, mentoring and performances to **K-12 schools and community colleges throughout Los Angeles, including Carson High in District 55.**

UC IRVINE MEDICAL CENTER

The UC Irvine Medical Center has a strong academic reputation in neurosciences, cancer and genetics research. The UC Irvine Medical Center in **Orange,** the **Long Beach Veterans Affairs Medical Center** and the **Long Beach Memorial Medical Center** provide cutting-edge medical research to the general population and to a disproportionate share of the area's poor and uninsured. UC Irvine Medical Center's 462-bed facility is **Orange County's only designated comprehensive emergency service and Level I Trauma Referral Center.**

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The world-renowned UCLA Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center provides cancer care services and investigative clinical trials **at satellite clinics in Long Beach in District 55.** Patients who come to UCLA centers for cancer care benefit from the most advanced forms of therapy available and from a variety of supportive services. http://www.healthcare.ucla.edu

The California Policy Research Center (CPRC) applies UC's research expertise to the analysis, development and implementation of state and federal policy. CPRC hosts such projects as the Welfare Policy Research Project, the **California Program on Access to Care, the Latino Policy Institute and the California-Mexico Health Initiative.**

UC Irvine's CampMed works with schools in Long Beach and is geared toward exposing educationally and economically **disadvantaged high school students** to the health profession through a unique outdoors learning experience.

UC's MESA (Mathematics, Engineering & Science Achievement) works to prepare educationally disadvantaged students for four-year colleges at **seven K-12 schools throughout District 55, including Carson High. The MESA California Community College Program** works to increase the number of math and science majors who successfully transfer to four-year universities at **CSU Long Beach and Long Beach City College.** http://mesa.ucop.edu

UC's Design for Sharing purchases thousands of tickets to events presented by UCLA Performing Arts. Tickets are distributed through social service agencies for those who could not otherwise afford to attend the events, **including at multiple sites in Long Beach and Carson in District 55.** www.performingarts.ucla.edu

The Puente Project increases the enrollment and retention of educationally underserved students in four-year universities. Puente works with **El Camino Community College in Torrance and Long Beach City College in District 55.** Puente students graduate from four-year universities at twice the average rate. http://www.puente.net

The UCLA Mobile Eye Clinic provides free eye exams in the **greater Los Angeles** area at schools, agencies working with abused and foster children and the elderly and homeless shelters. Over 5,000 patients are treated each year.

UC Irvine's Chemistry Outreach program has teams of graduate and undergraduate students visit Orange County schools to perform demonstrations and talk about chemistry. Since 1992, over 24,000 students have been reached, including those at **Barton Elementary in Long Beach.**

UC Cooperative Extension in Los Angeles County helps train residents of **Los Carmelitos Housing Development in their community garden** for work in the "green" industry. **UC Master Gardeners helps low-income residents** grow healthful fresh food. UC advisors also work to improve nutrition, reduce child obesity, ease the transition from welfare to work and engage 4-H youth in educational activities. http://ucanr.org

The VA Long Beach Healthcare System is an affiliate of the UC Irvine Medical Center and provides a full range of medical care to **thousands of veterans in the region. The system houses a main hospital in Long Beach** and provides a full range of patient care services using state-of-the-art technology. **Outpatient clinics are located throughout the region.** http://www.va.gov

The UC Affiliated Oiled Wildlife Care Network strives to ensure that wildlife exposed to petroleum products in the environment receive treatment. The program is managed through the UC Davis School of Vet Medicine and provides services at a site in **Long Beach.** www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu

The UC Davis Western Institute for Food Safety and Security is dedicated to food safety and security research and education. The institute is a partnership between UC, the Department of Food and Agriculture and the Department of Health Services.

UC Davis' Animal Ambassadors program uses web-based and hands-on interaction with animals to foster children's interest in science. Between 3,500 - 4,000 children participated in the program between 1999-2002. **The program is present in schools throughout Los Angeles County.**

California Partners for Advanced Transit in Highways (PATH) at the UC Institute of Transportation Studies, brings together faculty and students with private industry and state/local agencies to develop the research technologies that will improve California's transport systems. PATH is working to develop solutions to the state's public transit challenges. http://www.path.berkeley.edu

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