

A Message from the Division of Student Affairs

Engage, Empower, Enrich

HSU Healthier Together Forums: Share Your Ideas on Student Wellbeing Priorities

As you're likely aware, Humboldt State University students are facing a healthcare shortage on campus and we have a responsibility to fix it – wait times are increasing and there is insufficient capacity to meet student needs. Closing the gap between students needs and on-campus service capacity is an urgent priority, and there are no other funds to address this issue. The Student Fee Advisory Committee has recommended the campus consider significantly adjusting the two fees that support the range of student physical and mental health and wellbeing services. This additional money could only be used to support physical and mental health and will support a number of potential improvements:

- Shorter wait times with more psychiatrists, mental health therapists, doctors, nurses, and other medical providers
- Sustaining and expanding sexualized violence prevention programs like Check It! as temporary federal grant funding ends
- Student employment opportunities (more than 50 students total with increases)
- Repairing the existing facility and the required space for more staff or building a larger facility in conjunction with campus housing that would add more medical and counseling services, expand basic needs services, and add hundreds of new residence spaces for students

Engage during the interactive open forums, small groups discussions, and prioritization activities.

OPEN Forum #1 - Feb. 23, 5-6:30 p.m., College Creek Great Hall

OPEN Forum #2 - March 5, noon-1:30 p.m., Nelson Hall East 102

Pizza lunch will be provided on March 5!

Share your perspective and learn more by visiting humboldt.edu/healthiertogether.

Voice your opinion through the National College Health Assessment survey, which includes health fee prioritization questions. Students, check your email beginning Feb. 19 for an invitation to participate.

Sincerely,

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