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Housing Element

Changes to the mission and program at USFSM are enriching campus programs and opportunities to students. The University is building oncampus student housing and developing enhanced student life and recreational facilities to meet student non-academic needs.

In 2022 USFSM contracted with a third-party firm to undertake a Housing Study. The study indicated that the campus could support a minimum of 200 residential beds. Construction of 200 beds of housing and 32,000 square feet of student center space to include dining and student support space will occur through 2023 and is projected to be complete by fall of 2024.

The introduction of student on-campus housing is anticipated to have a significant impact on the University and increased vitality of campus life. Housing, located in the southwest corner of the campus courtyard, will play a critical role in establishing a more sustainable campus; supporting the learning experience by more fully engaging students and providing support, influencing transportation demands and strengthening pedestrian and bicycle circulation as desirable options, and providing the critical mass necessary to support a more diverse 24 hour campus community with increased demand for a greater range and supply of services and opportunities including food service options, retail, recreation, and entertainment.

Goal

The Housing goal of the Sarasota-Manatee Campus Master Plan is to encourage the availability of diverse, safe, affordable housing opportunities for students on and in the vicinity of the campus in support of the educational success, personal development, and social experience of all University students.

Objective 6.1:

Provide 200 new residential beds for graduate and undergraduate students in a new on-campus residence facility by fall of 2024. In addition, should campus growth dictate, USF SM will look for opportunities to expand student housing in the future.

Policy 6.1.1: The University will construct 200 beds of on-campus residential housing to be open in the fall of 2024.

Policy 6.1.2: Should campus growth dictate the need, the university will look for future opportunities to expand campus housing to support the student population and provide opportunities for the expansion of student success and development.