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UNIVERSITY HOUSING CUTBACK

Administrative officials at Humboldt State University have been informed that due to major cutbacks in HEW funds, monies which had been earmarked by the Chancellor's Office to construct additional on-campus housing will not be forthcoming. Instead, most of the money will probably go toward the construction of student health centers on various campuses of the system. The reasoning behind this is that the health centers have a higher priority from a state standpoint than student housing, which can be provided by private developers and builders. Since there is not enough money for both needs, the health centers have been given preference.

Directly affected is the so-called Woodlands Project to the east of the campus which had been planned for the construction of 175 student housing units that would have provided 600 additional beds.

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Oden Hansen, dean of campus development and utilization, stated, "This means that the expanded growth in needed housing for CSUH students will now have to come largely from local, private contractors and developers." Hansen noted that there was a critical need for married student housing as well as accommodations for single occupancies. "It is fortunate," Hansen went on to say, "that the recent slowdown on growth at Humboldt has gone into effect as it will give the private sector an opportunity to catch up with the college housing requirements at a time when the growth rate for the next three years can be accurately predicted." It is anticipated that Humboldt State's health center will be the recipient of funds for expansion of its existing and overcrowded services under the reallocation.

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"In a fundamental sense," Allen said, "the change reflects formal recognition of what the School has been doing for many years - preparing its students for successful professional careers in business and government. The bachelor of arts connotes a broad, liberal background whereas the degree in science reflects a more concentrated training for a profession. It also brings us in line with predominant academic practice throughout the country."

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