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Dear CCA Community,

As we enter the next stage of our campus planning effort, student housing is one of our top priorities. Given the rising costs of living in the Bay Area, devising both short-term and long-term housing strategies for students and faculty is crucial. We are thrilled that the Panoramic student residences recently opened in San Francisco, however this will not accommodate all our future needs.

Our goal is to have a minimum of 750 beds on or near the SF campus by 2025. We're excited to report that we currently have two more San Francisco student residences in the development stage of planning with target opening dates in 2018 and 2019.

In light of these developments, we have been looking closely at our satellite housing sites—specifically Webster Hall and the Avenue Apartments in Oakland. While these facilities have served us well in the past, our recent campus planning efforts with Gensler have revealed that these buildings are not optimal for continued use as CCA student housing.

It was determined that the best solution would be to sell these properties and reinvest the income to improve housing and other facilities for students. We have successfully sold Webster Hall and recently we have found a buyer for the Avenue Apartments on Broadway. The arrangements include leasing back the space until the new student residences are ready. Student housing will continue to be provided at these sites through summer 2018, at which point we intend to have enough beds in San Francisco to replace Webster Hall and the Avenue Apartments.

The ground-floor offices on Broadway (currently housing the Center for Art and Public Life and Educational Technology Services) eventually will be relocated. We have contracted Jensen Architects to work with CAPL and ETS staff members on a relocation plan to ensure a smooth transition with minimal interruption. Both offices will continue to function in their same capacities. We will send an update once we have more information about the new location and the timing of the move.

The ultimate goal of our campus planning effort is to provide the best possible experience for our students by creating new, improved, integrated, and environmentally-responsible facilities for making, learning, and living. Student housing is an essential part of the plan.

We'll continue to keep you apprised of our student housing plans as we move forward. Please check the campus planning [blog](#) for updates.

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