



Dear neighbor:  
**Your help and support  
 is needed**

**We, your neighbors, are engaged in a  
 difficult struggle with UC Berkeley.**

In 1969, over 30,000 people marched for a People's Park. Today, despite UC repression and lack of investment, the park continues to be an essential gathering place for arts and culture, a center of mutual aid, an open green space that cleans the air, and a safe haven for poor people in the rapidly gentrifying East Bay.

**THE DAILY CALIFORNIAN Editorial Board:**

“the Daily Cal will once again stand with the community in calling for a halt to the development of People's Park ... In reference to defending the park, the Daily Cal wrote in 1971, ‘The community did it once, we can do it again.’ In the 50 interceding years, exchanges between campus and protestors have continued, and those defending People's Park have prevailed every time. Why should today be any different?”

UC wants to destroy the park. We need to organize our communities to resist this violent and racist displacement!

**Please text SAVETHEPARK to 74121**  
 to join our “Bulldozer Alarm” text list

**What campus and  
 community organizations  
 support People's Park?**

- Berkeley Free Clinic
- UCB Black Student Union
- Cal Berkeley Democrats
- Berkeley Copwatch
- Hermanos Unidos
- UCB Latinx Caucus
- Berkeley Student Co-op
- Berkeley Student Food Collective
- Consider The Homeless



**For more information, visit [DefendThePark.org](http://DefendThePark.org)**

See reverse side for more

# About that proposed student housing...

92%

of undergraduates did not rank People's Park as their top housing site

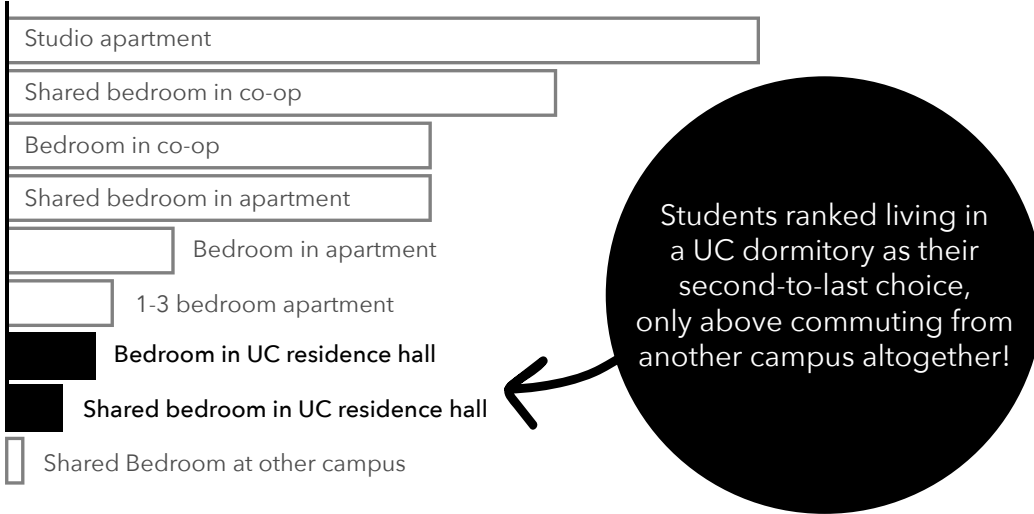
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of graduate students did not rank People's Park as their top housing site

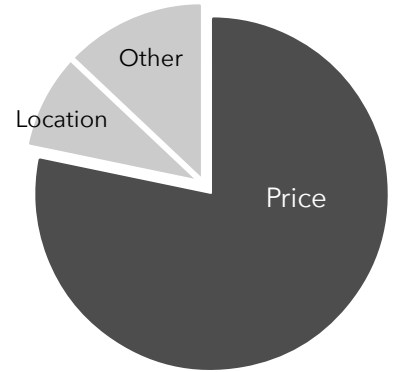
\$17,110

Cost of rent and food per academic year in UC Berkeley dorms

## Undergraduates' Preferred Housing Type (Source: UCB Internal Survey)



## Reasons for not considering Bedroom in UC Res Hall



Students can't afford to live in UC dormitories, and often take on thousands of dollars in debt.

## What about the "affordable housing"?

\$48,000/year

Upper range of proposed income requirements for tenants

\$1,400+/month

Upper range of rent price for proposed studio or 1-bed apartment

These income requirements and rent prices are untenable to most of the people who live in and use the park today. Neither the university nor their partner developer have secured ANY funds for the "supportive housing" yet, and they will not commit to housing people who are currently homeless. Their document notes these ranges are "likely be somewhat higher by the time a new development is built."



An affordable housing building demolished by UC in 1968. The people of Berkeley turned the vacant lot into a park.

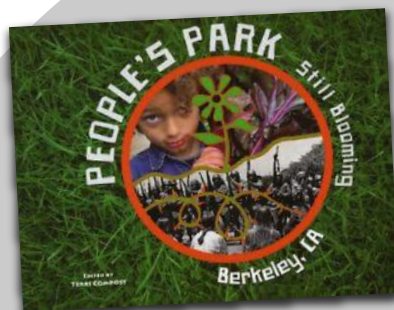
We must unite to demand an end to development on People's Park, and for creative and live-giving solutions to the housing crisis the university has helped to manufacture.

Join progressive student groups, co-ops, and thousands of people in pledging:

**"We will defend People's Park!"**

## Get the People's Park book!

A 190page, full-color extravaganza of the park, then and now.



*People's Park: Still Blooming*

Edited by Terri Compost

Sliding scale: \$8.50 - \$25

Low-income price: at least \$2.77 (we lose money)

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