

ADULT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CENTER GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

March 13, 2019

You are invited to the groundbreaking ceremony for the Adult Mental Health Services Center at 2640 Martin Luther King Jr. Way. The ceremony will take place on Thursday, March 21, 2019 at 1:15pm. Light refreshments will be provided.

The Adult Mental Health Services Center provides invaluable mental health and related social services to Berkeley and Albany community members and their families living with serious and persistent mental illness. Services include counseling, case management, medication, nursing, psychiatry, and wellness and recovery groups.

The goal of this renovation project is to improve the quality of care for clients by addressing health and safety issues of the building and providing a welcoming, clean, and secure facility. Throughout the years, there were concerns with the facility, such as air quality problems, pest infestation, water intrusion, and issues with site configuration. Issues were treated as they arose; however in 2016, the issues were deemed significantly systemic, so the facility was closed in June. The project is a comprehensive renovation of the facility including seismic and interior tenant improvements, and upgrades to the electrical, lighting, and mechanical systems with the intent to meet Zero Net Energy goals.

Construction for the Adult Mental Health Services Center at 2640 Martin Luther King Jr. Way will start in April 2019.

This project is funded by the City of Berkeley Measure T1, Mental Health Services Act, City of Berkeley Capital Improvement Fund, Mental Health State Aid Realignment Fund, and the Community Development Block Grant.

Measure T1 is a 2016 voter-approved \$100 million infrastructure bond measure to improve existing city infrastructure and facilities. The Adult Mental Health Service Center is 1 of 34 projects funded by T1 Phase 1. All T1 Phase 1 projects are anticipated to be completed in 2021. For more information for this and other T1 projects, please visit www.CityofBerkeley.info/MeasureT1.