

# University of Connecticut Campus Master Plan

**September 16, 2014** 

#### **Agenda**

- Master Plan Principles
- Growth Summaries
- Campus Development
- Improvements to the Student Experience
- Discussion and Next Steps

# Setting a Framework for Growth and Renewal

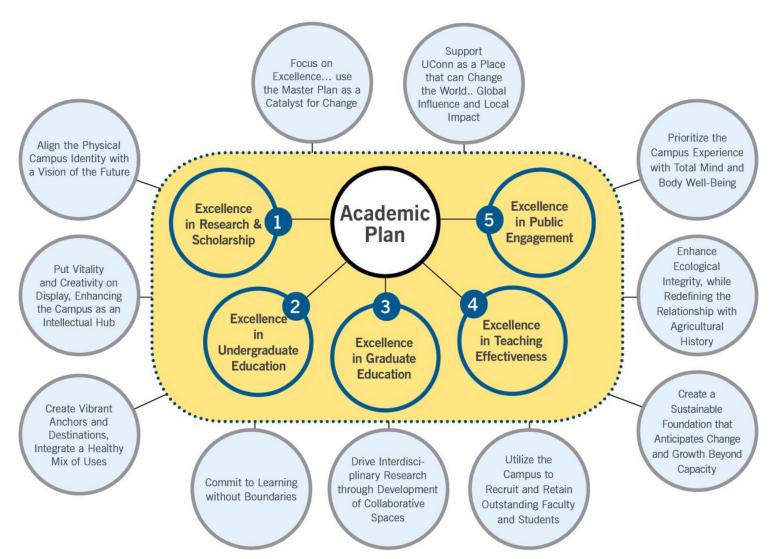
- Transformative
- Building Next Generation Connecticut
- Foundation of Excellence
- Stewardship
- Sense of Community
- Sustainability and Identity
- Engagement
- Pride, Excitement and Investment

#### Advancing the Path to Excellence

#### KEY THEMES FROM THE ACADEMIC PLAN

- Serve the Region, Nation and World
- Expand Educational Opportunities, Research and Innovation
- Emphasize Science, Technology, Engineering and Math
- Focus on the Importance of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
- Build America's Future Workforce
- Help Drive Economic Development in the State and Nation
- Support Disciplinary and Cross Disciplinary Research and Educational Programs

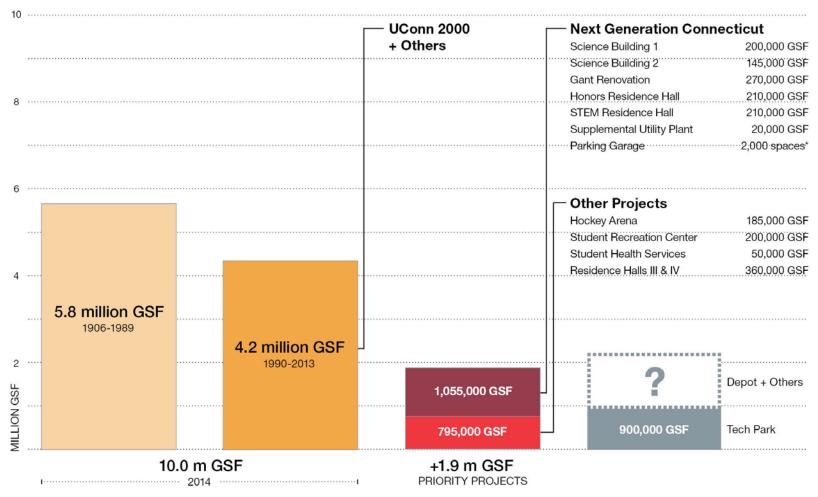
#### **Master Planning Principles**



# **Key Student Life Issues**

- Housing & Food Services
- Recreation Facilities
- Student Union Expansion
- Health Services
- Student Services Expansion
- Transportation
- Sustainability Initiatives

#### **University Growth (1989 – 2025)**



<sup>\*</sup>Parking not included in GSF calculations



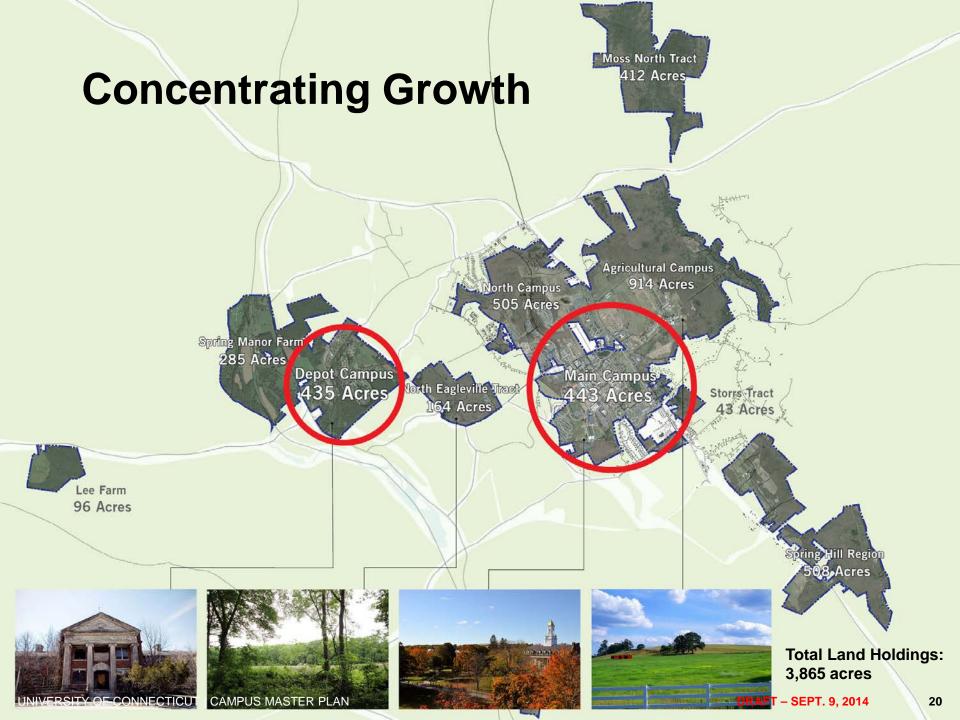


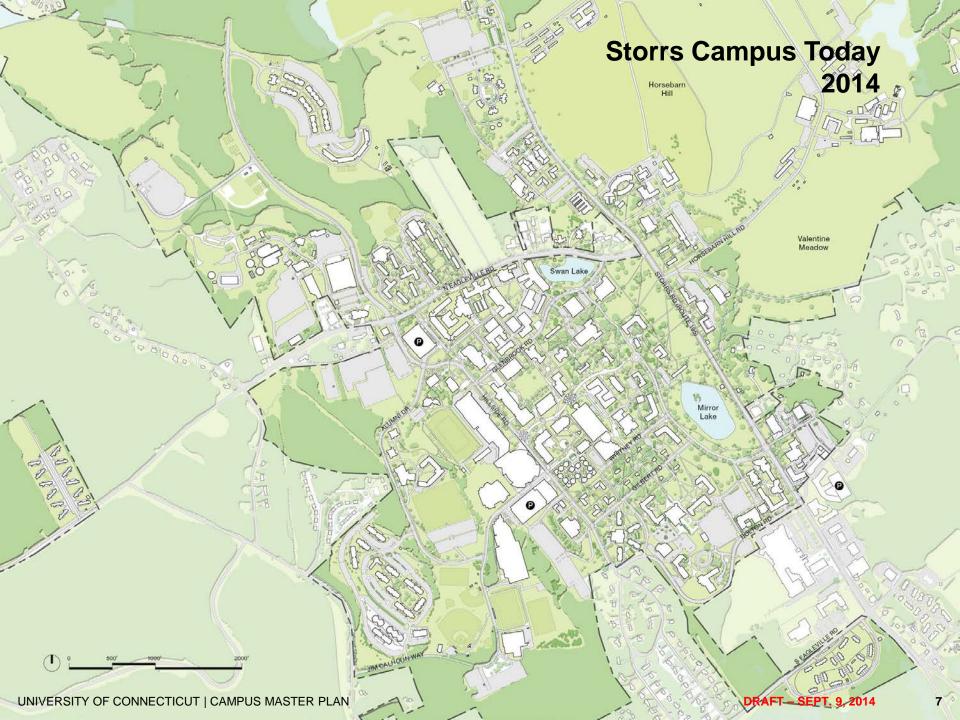


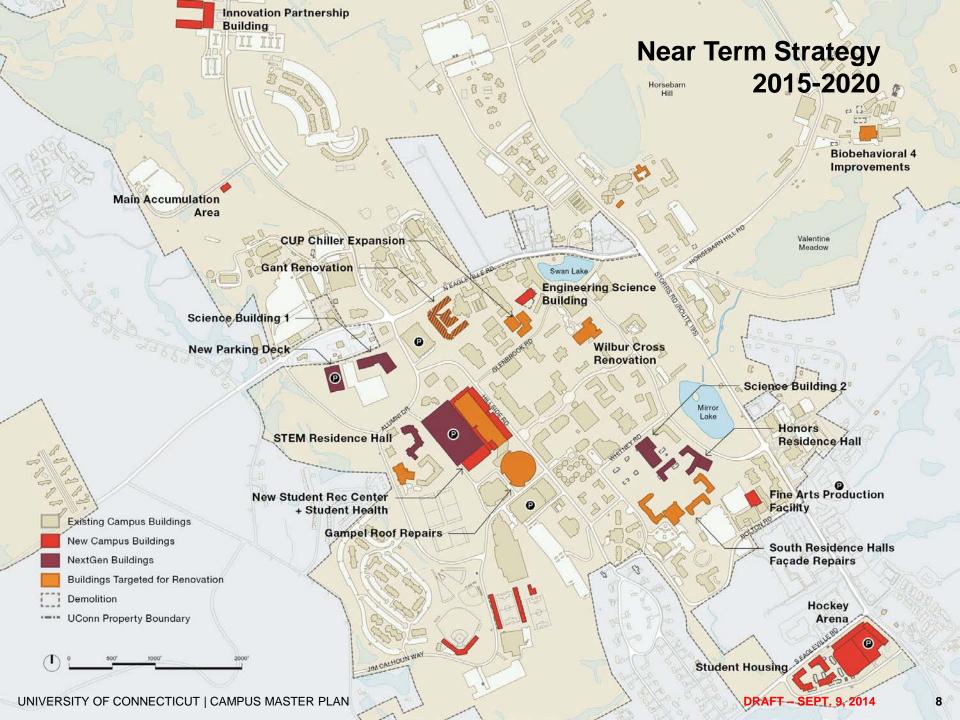


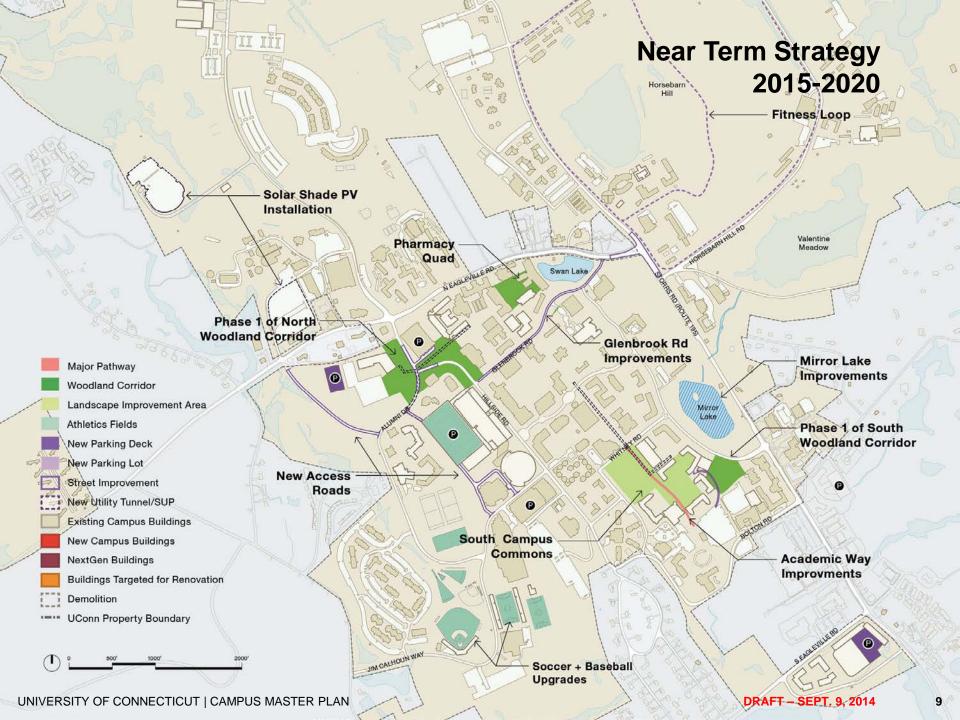
#### **Campus Development Strategy**

- Increase UG enrollment (by 1,000 to 5,000 new students)
- Locate growth in science and future research
  - New research building on X lot
  - Reinvestment in existing sciences core
  - Begin second core of research on South Campus
- Strengthen student residential areas within the campus
  - New Honors Residence Hall in South Campus
  - Expand and enhance existing student housing
- Continue to explore strategic opportunities with the town
  - Hockey, other programs
  - Access and transportation
- Explore innovative strategies for parking and transportation
- Strategically expand student services / student recreation
- Align campus open space with future building projects

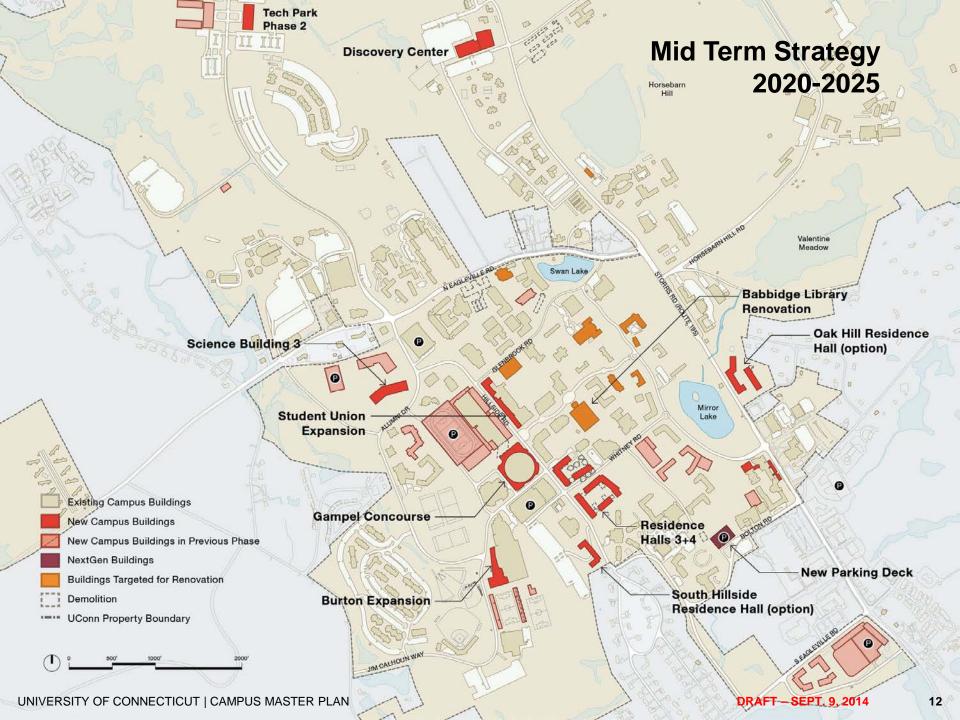


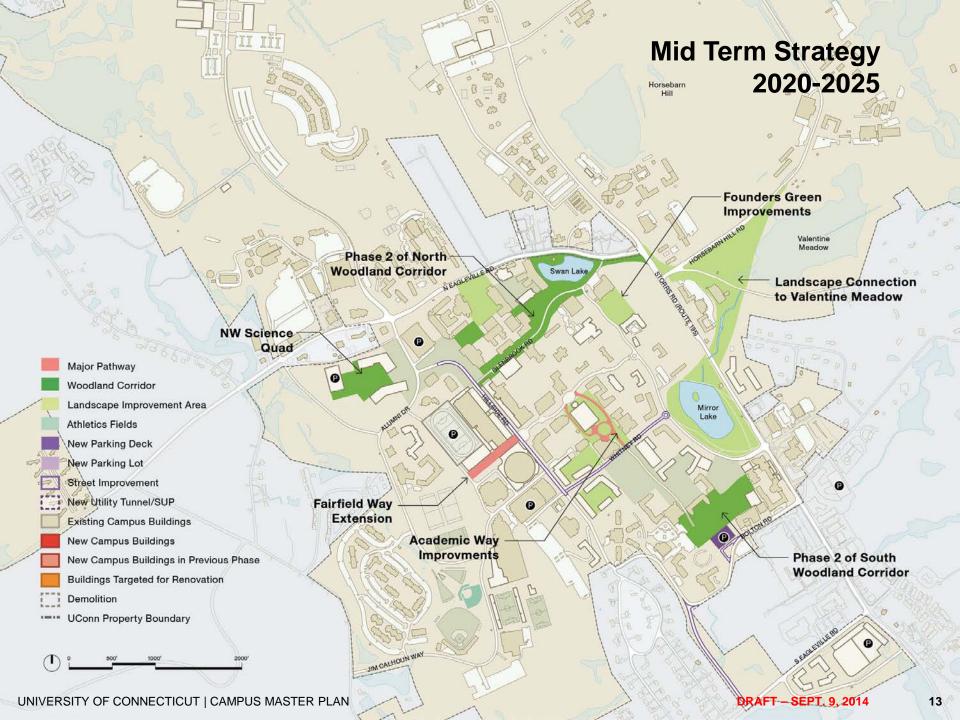






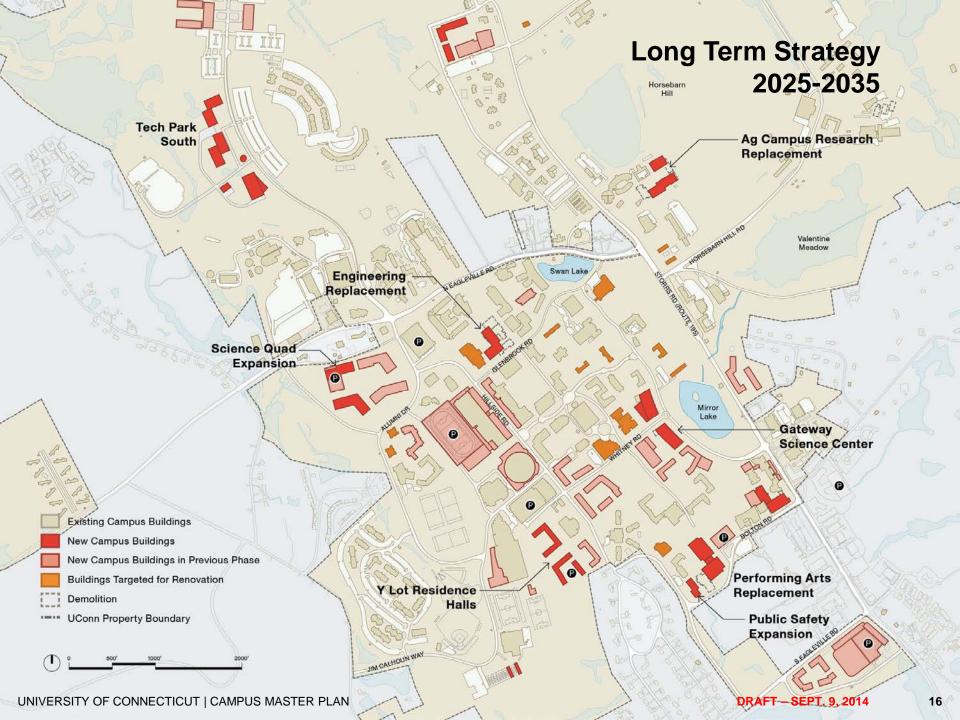


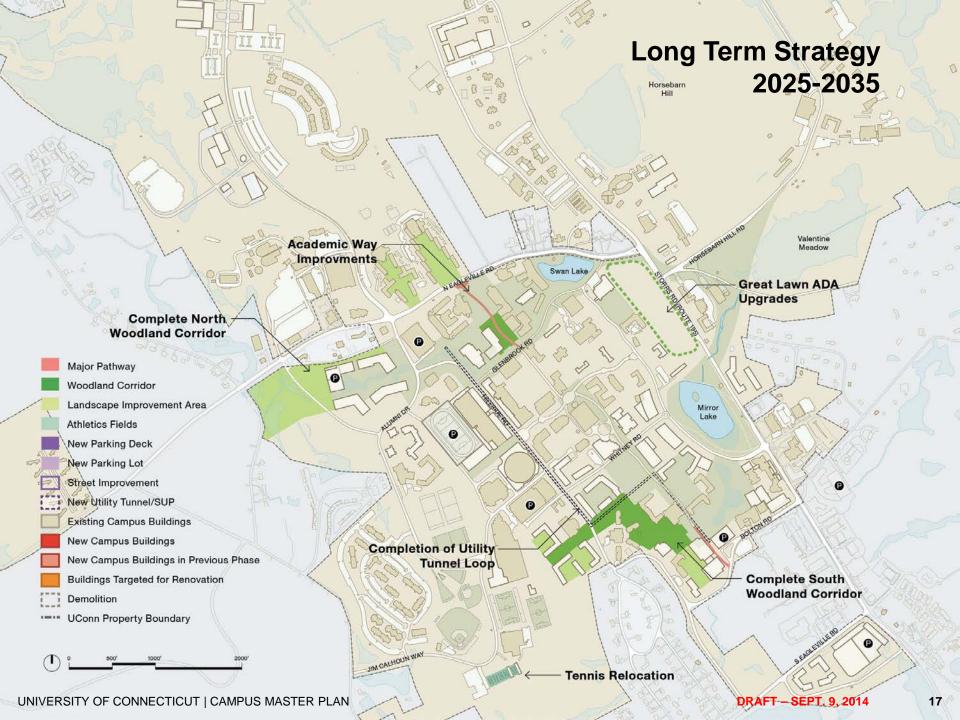


















Provide places for interaction and collaboration



Emphasize landscape as important part of the campus experience



Build new facilities for research and scientific collaboration



Create opportunities for translation and partnership with industry



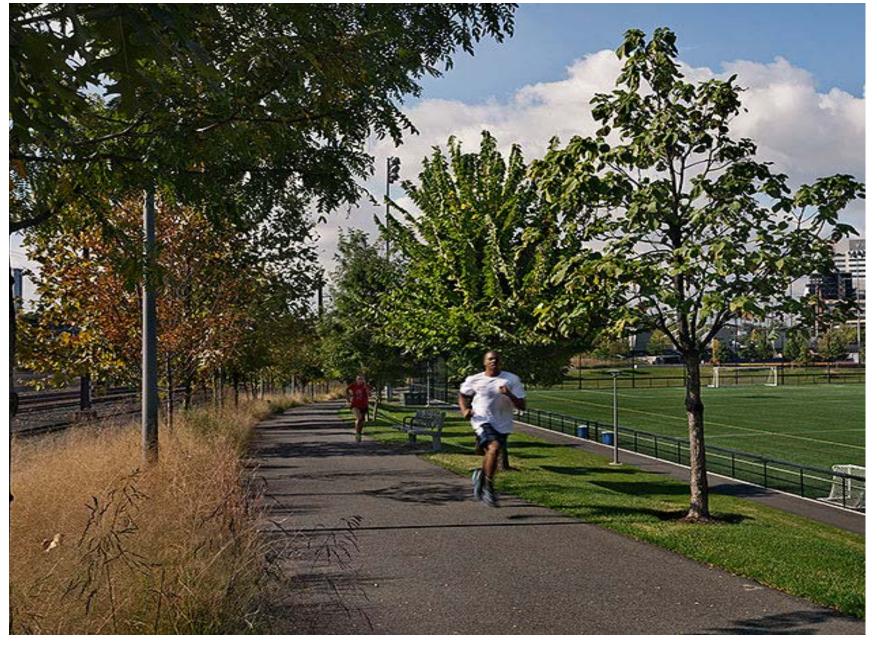
Expand student recreation and student services along Hillside Road



Put student life on display along major pathways



Strengthen places for living and learning with new student residences



Support an active and healthy campus community



Create campus landscapes that advance sustainable goals



Promote our unique and distinctive campus setting

## Key Student Life Issues

- Housing & Food Services: New residence halls with dining facilities, new retail food opportunities
- Recreation Facilities: Rec Center, fields, fitness & hiking trails
- Student Union Expansion: Expansion of existing building
- Health Services: Incorporated into Hillside Road Hub
- Student Services Expansion: To be defined with enrollment forecasting
- Transportation: shuttle and transit opportunities, multi-modal center hubs, expanded bike share, expanded car share, bike paths/trails and improved pedestrian circulation
- Sustainability Initiatives: Continuation of strategic initiatives for water, air, land, materials handling. New goals set to achieve Climate Action commitments

#### **Early Wins**

- Expanded research facilities
- Student Recreation facilities
- STEM Residence Hall
- Honors Residence Hall
- Creation of South Campus 'Commons' Green Space
- Bike share program
- Construction of North Hillside Road extension to Rte. 44
- Glenbrook Road improvements and improved 195/N. Eagleville intersection
- South campus infrastructure upgrades and improvements to Academic Way pedestrian path
- Consideration of external funding opportunities to expedite development (e.g. at Depot Campus)

#### **Moving Forward**

#### THE NEXT 30 DAYS

- Draft Campus Master Plan
- Detailed District Plans
- Capital Improvement Program

#### THE NEXT THREE MONTHS

- Engagement
  - Master Plan Showcase, starting October 16
  - Town Hall meetings
  - Advisory and committee presentations

## **Advancing the Path Toward Excellence**

- Research and Scholarship
- Undergraduate Education
- Graduate Education
- Teaching Effectiveness
- Public Engagement



