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Community invited to be a part of this milestone event for the Inland Empire – fun for the whole family

LOMA LINDA, CA – May 16, 2016 – Loma Linda University Health is breaking ground on its new hospitals and the entire community is invited to celebrate the future of health care in the region Sunday, May 22, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. The groundbreaking will signify the beginning of construction on the new state of the art facilities where the community will receive the quality, compassionate, whole person care that Loma Linda University Health is known for.

Join the family fun and enjoy kids' activities including obstacle courses, face painting and a petting zoo. The whole family can enjoy free giveaways, cooking demonstrations, a sneak peek of the new Children's Hospital and become a part of the future of Loma Linda University Health.



In an effort to be a part of this historical milestone, guests are encouraged to collect and bring coins – or any dollar amount – to fill a construction truck.

“This is our way of allowing the community be a part of the efforts to help children in the community,” said Kerry Heinrich, CEO, Loma Linda University Medical Center (LLUMC). “Kids and families who help us fill the truck will be able to say they helped Loma Linda build a new hospital.”

The new hospital complex will reside in what was once the parking lot of LLUMC on the northwest corner of Anderson and Barton. The complex will house a new Children's Hospital tower and a new adult hospital, which will meet California seismic requirements that the current hospital does not meet for inpatient care.

“The current adult hospital is nearly 50 years old,” said Richard H. Hart, MD, PhD, president, Loma Linda University Health. “It no longer meets the needs of our students and patients at the level we desire. This challenge to be compliant has been turned into an incredible opportunity to serve our community and world for the next 50 years and beyond.”

In addition to meeting the needs of the changing health care environment, the new hospital complex will boast the newest technology and expanded research capacity:

- At 267 feet tall, the hospital will be the tallest building in San Bernardino County.
- Hospital towers will move with seismic forces atop 126 Base Isolators.
- First hospital in California to have OSHPD approved individual nursing stations located outside patients' rooms for total care.
- The new hospital will be 16 stories + one basement floor + helipad.
- 100 percent private patient rooms.
- Separate adult and children's emergency departments.
- Expanded Total Care Birth Center and NICU.
- 16th floor Education & Conference Center.
- Total licensed bed count of 693 in the adult and Children's Hospitals upon completion.
- Second largest medical center in California.
- Largest hospital project in California.



Find more event details at groundbreaking.lluh.org or call 1-877-LLUMC-4U.

View the promotional video [here](#).

Follow the event on social media using #LLUHGroundbreaking.

[About Loma Linda University Health](#)

Loma Linda University Health includes Loma Linda University's eight professional schools, Loma Linda University Medical Center's six hospitals and more than 900 faculty physicians located in the Inland Empire of Southern California. Established in 1905, Loma Linda University Health is a global leader in education, research and clinical care. It offers over 100 academic programs and provides quality health care to 40,000 inpatients and 1.5 million outpatients each year. A Seventh-day Adventist organization, Loma Linda University Health is a faith-based health system with a mission "to continue the teaching and healing ministry of Jesus Christ."

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