Wander into the heart of this 900+ acre area and you’ll see a large sculpture on the grounds of The University of Texas Health Science Center.

Created by San Antonio artist Richard Harrell Rogers, it represents the double helix, the spiral pattern within DNA.

Just as that particle of matter represents the plan for growing life, this map represents the plan of a Medical Center first dreamed by city leaders more than 60 years ago, and actually brought into being in 1961. As you’ll see, we’ve been growing ever since – in geographical size, in members, and in the sophistication and impact of the medical teaching, research, technology, testing and treatment we offer.

In short, we’ve come to play a vital role in the health of San Antonio and South Texas. And whatever reason brings you here, we hope we can be of help.

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Facilities

When the South Texas Medical Center (STMC) started in 1961, it consisted of a single hospital. Today, it is made up of over 75 medically related institutions, more than 45 clinics, 12 major hospitals, 1 higher education institution, and countless small practices, offices and non-medical businesses.

The result is a professional community that is extensive in capability, surprisingly synergistic, and dynamic in its impact – not just on healthcare, but on contributions to medical research and service to patients worldwide. Add to that all of the service, hospitality and retail businesses needed by people who work and live here, and you essentially have a city within a city.

The Medical Center Alliance (MCA) was formed in 1998 to address mobility congestion through street improvements and signage enhancement and to promote the continued economic growth of the STMC.

The MCA’s membership is made up of the eight largest landowners in the STMC:

- Baptist Health System
- Cancer Therapy and Research Center at The UT Health Science Center
- CHRISTUS Santa Rosa Healthcare
- Methodist Healthcare
- Methodist Healthcare Ministries
- San Antonio Medical Foundation
- The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio
- University Health System

Since its inception, the MCA has partnered with the City of San Antonio, leading to the completion and upgrade of major STMC intersections, as well as new wayfinding signage throughout the area. The MCA is also committed to numerous initiatives to heighten awareness of the STMC as a valuable resource and an asset to this community and the South Texas area as a whole.
GROWTH OF THE MEDICAL CENTER

The trend of expansion in the Medical Center shows no sign of slowing down, and has caused the major stakeholders of the Medical Center Alliance (MCA) to overhaul the existing master plan—created in 2000—to improve upon existing streets and signage—in order to facilitate the expected growth of the area.

The purpose of the master plan is to improve the overall campus environment, strengthen the community, promote economic growth, and address pedestrian needs in the area. This plan must not only meet current needs, but also adapt to any needs that arise in the future.

Enhance Existing Signage/Wayfinding Systems:
By increasing font and sign size, improving color, providing pedestrian-scale signs, and integrating gateways, the Medical Center hopes to strengthen identity and communicate to visitors that they are entering the Medical Center. This will make an already recognizable brand more effective and the campus more welcoming and easier to navigate.

Focus on the ‘Core’ for Pedestrian Connectivity and Activity:
Revitalizing hubs of activity, including undeveloped north-side parcels, within the campus core that are within a five to 10 minute walk and accessible through a series of trails and on-street pedestrian networks. This will shift the focus of the Medical Center to pedestrians, and create destinations within the Medical Center itself.

Reduce Conflicts between Pedestrians and Vehicles:
Improving the streetscape in addition to creating the proper street type will increase harmony between pedestrians and vehicles. This will be done by creating buffers between the curb and the sidewalk, widening sidewalks, and screening parking.

Expand Employee Offerings through a Mixed-Use ‘Gateway Village’:
Establishing a mixed-use development at the core and prominent edge of the campus will add vitality, ensure evening and weekend activity, and provide important services for patients, visitors, and staff.

Define Site Planning Parameters to Harmonize Existing and New Research Buildings:
Establishing a layout of buildings at the research hub will promote synergy and provide the opportunity for retail vendors, dining spaces, walkways, courtyards, gardens, and water features to be created. All of these amenities are extremely attractive to innovative, world-class research institutions.

Refocus Planning for Humans Instead of Vehicles:
Focusing on signage, activity hubs, mixed-use development, connectivity, open space, street enhancements, and planning efforts to enhance the relationship between the built environment and people’s quality of life will collectively play an important function in the master plan. This will connect buildings, enhance identity and visual aesthetics, and provide places for group activities.

THE FUTURE OF THE MASTER PLAN

As the Medical Center evolves and expands, so too will the master plan. It is uncertain what the future holds, but the master plan has been carefully crafted to accommodate for these unforeseen circumstances. Currently, the master plan will assist stakeholders in creating a more navigable streetscape and pedestrian areas, but it will also continue these projects in the future, anticipating the needs of the Medical Center for years to come. Together, the stakeholders hope that the master plan will create healthier workplaces, patient spaces and environments for the future.
The purpose of the master plan is to improve the overall campus environment, strengthen the community, and enhance the campus identity. By increasing font and sign size, improving color, and designing recognizable signs, the master plan suggests that the Medical Center Alliance (MCA) will be able to provide pedestrian-scale signs and better signage throughout the area. The MCA is also committed to numerous initiatives to heighten awareness of the MAP and the campus. A key focus of the master plan is to facilitate wayfinding and activity in the area, creating a more navigable streetscape and pedestrian environment. The plan will accommodate for these unforeseen circumstances and create a more cohesive environment for the Medical Center’s businesses and impact—both on healthcare and the South Texas area as a whole.

**South Texas Medical Center**

- Medically related facilities: 75+
- Clinics: 45+
- Major hospitals: 12
- Higher education institutions: 1
- Patient visits: 5,750,619**
  - Annual outpatient visits: 5.6 million
  - Annual inpatient visits: 106,728
- Employment: 29,019+
- Total facilities/equipment: Up 13% to $3.352 billion
- Capital projects underway/planned: $947 million
- Research grants awarded: $151.1 million
- Combined budgets: $3.93 billion
- Total land area: 900+ acres
  - 220+ acres available for expansion

*Based on the 2014 San Antonio Healthcare and Bioscience Impact Study, The San Antonio Chamber of Commerce

**Based on 2014 South Texas Medical Center Area Progress Report, San Antonio Medical Foundation
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