

HISTORY

Some of the land on which the Las Vegas Medical District is taking shape was dedicated to agriculture well into the 1930s. It was once home to an 80-acre dairy farm, cultivated by a Japanese tenant farmer and housed handicapped and indigent men in the 1920s in what was then known as the Clark County Poor Farm.

Part of this property is the former site of the Clark County Hospital, which was the genesis for today's University Medical Center of Southern Nevada (UMC), the former site of the Southern Nevada Health District building erected in 1965 and now the future site of new buildings for the UNLV School of Medicine.

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RECENT MILESTONES

2017

- UNLV School of Medicine welcomes its inaugural class of 60 students on July 17, opening Southern Nevada's first allopathic school of medicine
- A \$25 million donation by an anonymous donor is accepted by UNLV School of Medicine
- State Legislature approves \$25 million in additional funding for the medical school, above and beyond the \$21.8 million for 2017-18 and \$30.2 million for 2018-19 already allocated from the state's general fund
- Renaming of Bearden Drive and Goldring Avenue to Wellness Way
- Bearden Drive and Goldring Avenue realignment project starts construction

2016

- City of Las Vegas Public Works Department starts Shadow Lane Improvement project along with LVMD Sidewalk Infill program
- Bearden Drive and Goldring Avenue Realignment projects in design
- Clark County Health District's Shadow Lane Campus transfer to UNLV School of Medicine is approved
- UNLV Ackerman Autism Center opens
- ACGME accreditation is granted to medical school as an institutional sponsor of graduate medical education
- UNLV School of Medicine achieves preliminary accreditation by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME)

2015

- Las Vegas City Council approves updated LVMD Master Plan
- Steinberg Diagnostic Medical Imaging building opens
- Founding Scholarship campaign for UNLV medical school secures \$13.5 million
- State funds released for medical school
- Dr. Atkinson is named Founding Dean of medical school
- City of Las Vegas hosts a number of public forums to gather community feedback on the LVMD Master Plan

2014

- Planning Dean for medical school, Dr. Barbara Atkinson is hired
- UNLV School of Medicine is officially established
- Community Advisory Board for medical school is established
- Sands Cares donates \$70,000 to UNLV School of Dental Medicine's dental clinic
- City of Las Vegas invests \$200,000 to develop the LVMD Master Plan

2013

- Vision for UNLV School of Medicine is established
- Economic Impact Report commissioned for four-year allopathic Public Medical Education Plan is approved for medical school by NSHE Board of Regents

NOTE: The Las Vegas Medical District was established by the Las Vegas City Council in 1997



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