

Signature Efforts Update

Possibility and Promise 2023–2027 outlines six main strategic priorities spanning our missions of education, research and patient care. Below are the signature efforts and the progress that has been made over the past year.

GOAL	UPDATE
Expand multidisciplinary clinical services	UT Health Physicians successfully opened the brand new Gateway Clinic and Phase 2 of the DeZavala clinic. Both clinics expand the institution’s clinical footprint while meeting the health care needs of the community. Construction of the new 108,000–square-foot outpatient and surgery center, UT Health at Kyle Seale Parkway, remains on track and is scheduled to open in the Spring of 2024.
Open the new University of Texas School of Public Health at San Antonio	Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board approved the School’s M.P.H. program in June 2023, and SACSCOC approval is pending. Additionally, in Q4, the UT School of Public Health, in collaboration with Huron Consulting Group, finalized its strategic plan outline, which will serve as a roadmap over the upcoming years.
Grow research funding in focused areas	Significant gains in research funding were realized in fiscal year 2023. Growth in funding was driven by the School of Dentistry as well as the Basic Science and Clinical departments within the Joe R. & Teresa Lozano Long School of Medicine. Departments realizing significant growth included Biochemistry & Structural Biology, Microbiology, Immunology & Molecular Genetics, Medicine, and Psychiatry.
Deliver outstanding academic programs	UT Health San Antonio continued to deliver positive outcomes to its students. Highlights of fiscal year 2023 include: P.A. program graduates had a 100% pass rate in taking their national certification exam as have graduates in the Occupational Therapy Doctorate program and Speech–Language Pathology program. At March 2023 Match Day event, UT Health’s Joe R. and Teresa Lozano Long School of Medicine matched 99% of its graduating students who sought residency programs immediately after graduation. 24% will remain in San Antonio for residency, bolstering the health care workforce in Bexar County and the region. Overall, 55% placed in residencies programs in Texas and 43% have chosen primary care specialties – much needed placements to meet Texas’s health care needs.
Grow research space and programming	On the 7th floor of the medical school building, a project is underway to renovate 21,000 sq. feet of research space and create new wet lab spaces for various Long School of Medicine departments. An additional 63,000 sq. feet of space is being considered for renovation and expansion. Construction began on the \$100 million Center for Brain Health, a new facility which will This project renovates 21,000 sq. feet of research space and creates new wet lab spaces for various LSOM departments. The project will include new electrical, new HVAC, new plumbing, new casework, and benches along with a shared freezer room. Currently the project is in construction with a completion date of June 2024.