

*The University of Texas Medical Branch Interprofessional Education Center*  
*\$67.8M Tuition Revenue Bond Request*  
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The University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB) is requesting a \$67.8M TRB for a new 160,000 square foot Interprofessional Education Center, a TRB for which was first requested in 2008.

*Why this is needed:*

- Workforce shortages already exist in Texas and are projected into the future in all of the health professions that UTMB educates - physicians, nurses, physician assistants, physical therapists, occupational therapists, respiratory therapists, nutritionists, and clinical laboratory scientists.
- UTMB is unable to expand enrollment due to lack of space. By 2020, UTMB will have a shortage of 110,000 square feet in usable educational space.
- In addition, modern health professional education demands different kinds of space than used in the past - more technology, more small class discussion and learning experiences, more collaborative learning across professions to prepare students for the teamwork that is crucial in health care.
- The new center will not only provide the additional space needed to increase enrollment, but it will provide the right kind of space that supports training of health care professionals in the team-based environment that is essential to health care of today and the future.

*Funding*

Total cost:	\$90.4 million
Philanthropy/local funds:	\$22.6 million
Tuition Revenue Bond:	\$67.8 million
Annual debt service estimate:	\$5.9 million

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