

Foundation Donates Buildings Housing University Medical Services

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A cluster of office buildings on Culver Road just north of Main Street in Rochester, donated to the University of Rochester by the Max and Marian Farash Charitable Foundation, now constitutes a small urban medical campus housing several medical services.

Earlier this year, foundation trustees completed a donation of buildings at 909 and 913 Culver Road to complement a previous gift to the University of the adjacent building at 905 Culver Road. Together, they comprise a donation valued at more than \$1.7 million.

The buildings will continue to house the Strong Midwifery Group as well as the Culver Medical Group, which provides residency training through the School of Medicine and Dentistry's medicine/pediatrics residency program.

"We are very grateful to the Farash Foundation for these facilities," said President Joel Seligman. "This generous gift helps to ensure the long-term success of patient care and teaching programs that not only serve our community's most vulnerable citizens, but are respected nationally as models of educational training."

"We are glad that this gift provides much needed space both for the medical center's clinical outreach and for its community-based training of young doctors," said Nathan J. Robfogel, chair of the foundation's board of trustees.

"Max Farash believed that the elements of a vibrant community must include education and good health," said Alvin L. Ureles, M.D., foundation board vice chair and Max Farash's lifelong friend and physician. "This important medical complex conforms to Max's philosophy. The trustees are most pleased to approve this gift."

Residents of Rochester for virtually all of their lives, Max and Marian Farash cared deeply about their community. In 1988, they established the Max and Marian Farash Charitable Foundation, which annually makes half of its grants to community organizations in Monroe and Ontario counties and half of its grants to Jewish initiatives.