Catholics seek to build a new campus center

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Supporters of the Catholic Center at Tulane hope to replace the existing 100-yearold structure with a larger, more modern center to accommodate an increase in use by students, alumni and members of the community.



The new center would be built on the same lot as the current location at 1037 Audubon St. (Rendering from Argus Architecture Engineering, LLC)

The campaign to raise funds is in full swing and has already collected more than \$1 million, with donations coming in daily, says Jamie Harrell, student leader of the fundraising committee. The goal is \$3 million.

"The current building is inadequate due to its age and condition," says Harrell. "The building is roughly 100 years old and has not had much remodeling in quite some time. The new building also would have more square footage."

Owned and operated by the Archdiocese of New Orleans, the Catholic Center at Tulane is the hub for <u>Mission Honduras</u>, a twice-annual service trip for students. It also is used for several alumni and community activities throughout the year and for daily mass at 12:10 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The committee's goal is to raise all the money needed by the end of the semester and break ground within a few months after that.

For more information on the <u>Catholic Center campaign</u>, contact the university's faculty and staff co-chairs, <u>Mike Burke</u> or <u>Janice Hughes</u>.