SAN JOSE CAMPUS HOUSING

Palmer College of Chiropractic - WEST

The West campus is located in the northern part of San Jose (approximately 50 miles south of San Francisco), in the most rapidly developing region of the Silicon Valley, which borders the cities of Santa Clara and Milpitas.

Apartments

With multiple apartment properties near Palmer campus, many students live within walking distance, while others take advantage of the campus’ immediate proximity to two VTA light-rail stations (spanning the system’s 40 miles of track), which significantly expands the pool of student housing options.

Diverse Area

The Bay Area is an amazing and diverse region, depending where you live, you can be close to the beach, hiking trails, shopping and local tourist attractions. For new residents, however, deciding where to live can be overwhelming, given the many options.

By sharing perspectives about the different regions, cities complexes in which Palmer students, faculty and staff reside—and what makes that particular pocket of the Bay Area a special place—the following profiles will prove helpful as you decide where you want to live while attending Palmer’s San Jose campus!
**Verdant**

**Erin Hallahan**

Living right across from the school with a 7min walk and a 4min drive to school, the Verdant is close to the light rail, the 237 HWY and I-880. They have a great pool, a lovely cafe down stairs, however it is rather expensive with a 2Br/2bath at $3210.

**Venue**

**Kelsey Laird**

Venue offers modern living space located at the corner of Tasman and 1st street just a 5-7min walk from Palmer. They offer a $1000 referral discount on their studio, 1,2 & 3 bedroom apartments with a 24-athletic centre and yoga studio. The price ranges from $2700-$3600 for a 2Bed/2Bath. I like that it is close to the school, sporting events, Santana Row and Venue has a weekly Food Truck event for tenant appreciation.

**Spring Valley**

**Isaiah Guebara**

Located in East Milpitas, minutes away from Safeway, Target, Dollar Tree, the Great Mall and tons of restaurants, this apartment complex gives you a gorgeous safe community with a small town vibe. Great hikes, parks and outdoor activities available just 1.5 miles away. Price ranges from $2395-$2695 and pets are allowed with some restrictions and fees that apply. It gives you a good separation from being around the school all the time but the down side is the commute in the evening can range from 30min-1 hr.

Although the Verdant does not offer a Below Market Rate discount, they have apartments that range from $2500-$4200. The BART is located right outside and pets are allowed with a deposit fee (certain restrictions apply). The location is prime with Target, Cafe Bene, Chipotle, Five Guys, Chick-Fil-A and the UPS store all within a mile distance. The biggest down side is the price for the amount of space however the amenities and the ability to walk to school makes it worth it.
**APEX**

Naomi Velado-Tsegaye

Just a 7min ride on the VTA to school, Apex is in Milpitas right across the street from The Great Mall. It was very easy to get an apartment as they do not require a co-signer. A 2Bed/2Bath rents for $2700 and although it can be annoying commuting with a train that runs every 15minutes, it is a bit cheaper than living directly walking distance of the school.

**Encasa Living**

Mckenzie Cervini

Sunnyvale is a beautiful region and the home of the Google headquarters just 10minutes from the Palmer campus. With two major routes that can get you there—Tasman Drive or HWY 237. The light rail is a 5 minute walk away with an 18minute ride to school. Encasa living charges $1500-$3000 per person, per month with amazing amenities, a beautiful and safe location and a variety of gyms near by—my favourite being F45.

**Santa Clara**

Manjit Kaur

Residing in a 5 bedroom home that I found on Craigslist, it is located in the Calaveras area in Santa Clara county. It takes about 10-15minutes to drive to school, however there is no light rail or train close by. The landlord does not live on site, so it can be difficult at times to get certain household things fixed. But the area is great, there is an Indian grocery and Bazaar, 711, Walgreens and asking distance to a lake. This is also the location of the largest Sikh Gurdwara in the USA.
120 Tasman
Nico Buttazzoni

With less than a 2min walk to school and an amazing gym on site, Tasman is a pretty great spot to live. The light rail is right there and the price is alright for the area —2Bed/2Bath $3000-$3200.

East San Jose
Johnny Gallo

My wife and I found a nice individual owned townhome for rent in East San Jose. It is right near all the major highways (680, 880, 101) and priced at $2100 for a 1Bed/1bath. The biggest downside is it is not closer to the Palmer campus. But the local shops and the 10min proximity to downtown—Santana Row—is really nice.

Campbell
Dayna Lammel

I found this location through a connection at church and have the pleasure of living with a lovely family while in San Jose. It is located near HWY 85 and HWY 17, without traffic it takes 20minutes to get on campus but a typical commute is about 40minutes to arrive for 740am class. The area has plenty of stores and attractions like Grocery Outlet Bargain Market, Trader Joe’s, Prune Yard, Century Theatres and The Winchester Mansion. It is a bit isolated from other students being so far away however at $800 for the room and that family vibe it is great.

East San Jose
Edward Deleon

We went with a less traditional route as a student, buying a house with family in East San Jose. With traffic, it is a solid 50min commute to Palmer but the area is great and only 15mins to the Shark Tank!!
One of the closest locations to campus with a Below Market Rate (BMR) program, North Park was extremely appealing. Living in a 2bed/2bath moderate BMR priced at $2775. When I first called the person said “you don’t make enough to live here” and would not initially put me onto the BMR waitlist. This made me feel hopeless until I saw a room to sublease on the Palmer stuff for sale page on Facebook. Although the process and the staff were not initially that

The proximity to school is the highlight to living at North Park. Although there is a BMR program, the waitlist is difficult to get onto, so I currently reside with some roommates in a unit that is $4215. There is easy access to HWY 237 which leads to all the major interstates—280, 101 and 880. We have the Great America amusement park down the street, Levi’s Stadium and a hop skip and jump away from Santa Cruz Beach. The major downside is how expensive the rent can be if you are not in a BMR unit but it is manageable.
**Millbrook**

Michaela Peterson

It is not an apartment complex but a privately owned 3bed/2.5Bath townhome close to Montague Expressway. It is a 5 minute drive to campus but if I’m feeling up to it, a 40min walk down the Coyote Trail. The renting process was super easy and the location is priced at $3900 monthly. River Oaks plaza and The Levis Stadium is just minutes away which is a fun vibe but the downside to this location is not having maintenance on demand or security guards the way you would at a complex/gated community.

**Terrance Hill**

Shayan Ghaffari

Commuting 30mins to get to the Palmer campus isn’t ideal but living in Terrance Hill is lovely. It is relatively close to Santa Cruz and a variety of other scenic adventures. The house is rented by the room at about $1200-$1300 each person. It is close to the I-680 and Alum Rock. The distance can be an issue but the cost, the view and the space make it worth it for me.

**Riverview**

Semelé Viljoen

This location is owned by the same company as North Park but a bit on the expensive side with a rent range of $2315 for a studio to $3895 for a 2Bed/2Bath. They do not have a BMR program but with a 5min bike ride to school and Starbucks, a yoga studio and a few restaurants right downstairs—it is a great spot. The area is very dog and kid friendly and the process to rent an apartment was very easy. My husband and I enjoy exploring different kinds of cuisine and San Pedro Square gives a variety of options.