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**UC Davis Hosts Run for Your Lives, a 5K/10K Run/Walk To Benefit  
Your Health and the Environment**

DAVIS, CA – On Sunday, October 12th, UC Davis hosted the inaugural Run for Your Lives, a 5K/10K Run/Walk to benefit your health and the environment.

The event hosted 1,000 spectators, athletes and volunteers who braved chilly winds for the festivities. The run/walk was the kick off to the Celebrate UC Davis festivities, a street fair on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street coordinated by the City of Davis. The 2008-2009 academic year marks 100 years since the University of California first welcomed students to the Davis campus.

“Our health as individuals is inextricably tied to the health of our environment,” says Sal Genito, Director of UC Davis Buildings and Grounds. “Over the last century, UC Davis has made innumerable contributions to medical and environmental knowledge and quality of life. So we created this event for people to celebrate that fact, raise funds to continue the work, and simply enjoy the beautiful campus where it all takes place.”

Among the run/walk participants were Larry Vanderhoef and his wife. Vanderhoef, appropriately wearing bib #100, is serving his fifteenth year as Chancellor of the UC Davis campus.

The event included a 5K run/walk, 10K run/walk, two kid’s fun runs (½ and ¼ mile) as well as a post – race expo that featured informational booths staffed by UCD School of Medicine students, refreshments, bounce houses for kids and face painting.

Run For Your Lives benefited the UC Davis Vascular Center, UC Davis 100 Year Tree Plan, and the American Stroke Association.

Complete race results are posted at: [www.changeofpace.com](http://www.changeofpace.com).  
([http://changeofpace.com/Results/RFYL08/2008\\_runforyourlives\\_results.html](http://changeofpace.com/Results/RFYL08/2008_runforyourlives_results.html)).

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