

mHUB's Big Move | FAQ

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Q: What is the address for the new building?

1623 W Fulton St. mHUB is changing the address from 240 N Ashland to 1623 W Fulton St to help visitors and mail/package better find our main entrance, which will be off the parking lot on the west side of the building. We are very excited about this neighborhood because it is in a planned manufacturing district (The Kinzie Industrial Corridor) and Opportunity Zone.

Q: When is the move?

- 9/11 – 9/15: PACKING WEEK
9/15: all items need to be packed up and moved out (unless in mHUB provided box)
- 9/18 – 9/22: MOVE WEEK
9/18: all furniture and the prototyping shop will begin to be moved over to the new building
This week both locations will be accessible with hot desks in event spaces and WIFI available
- 9/25-9/27: WELCOME WEEK
first day accessing prototyping shop, reserved desks, spark spaces, and offices at 1623 Fulton Location

Q: When should a member change their company's mailing address?

Members should make proper preparations to forward business mail to 1623 W Fulton St. Chicago, IL 60612 starting September 25th.

Q: How will the move disrupt shop access?

The shop will be inaccessible the week of September 18th – 22nd. We expect some machines to go down before this week and others to take a little longer to be back on line after the move. If you have concerns about equipment you need during that time please reach out the shop staff for guidance.

Q: What will mHUB's support look like for moving member items? Boxes? Loading into moving trucks?

As of now, mHUB plans to have the capacity to move Office and Reserved Desk member items, including one large box and each desk's respective storage cabinet/drawer and 2-4 boxes for offices. Boxes will be made available in August.

Q: Will the cost of membership change?

Discounted memberships and Full Time Shop memberships will end. The lowest level of membership will be shared workspace. mHUB will not be able to grandfather in discounts or special rates, due to constraints with its funding sources. Projected pricing for membership levels are outlined below:

Space Type	Target Price	# of memberships	Approximate size	# of Available
Shared Workspace Members	\$300.00	1		
Reserved Desk	\$450.00	1		72

Small Office	\$1,350.00	3	125 sqft	17
Medium Office	\$2,800.00	6	280 sqft	11
Large Office	\$6,400.00	12	617-642 sqft	4
Small Garage	\$1,500.00	3	147 sqft	6
Large Garage	\$3,000.00	6	295 sqft	3
Small Convertible Garage	\$2,500.00	3	260 sqft	1
Large Convertible Garage	\$3,000.00	3	318 sqft	1
Private Wet Lab	\$3,250.00	TBD	161 sqft + 77sqft	3

**Prices and square footage are subject to change as we finalize our financials and the construction completes*

Q: If I have an office/garage/reserved desk now, am I guaranteed one in the new building?

If you have an office/garage/reserved desk at mHUB, you will be given preference. Please fill out this [new building office interest survey](#) to “get in line” for an office and add any notes you’d like us to know about your choices. You will be given priority to select a space of equal or greater size at the new building if you are up to date on your MOU for the current building.

Q: How do I sign up for an office, garage, reserved desk, shared-workspace membership?

If you’re a current office/garage/ reserved desk member see above Q/A. If you are not a current office/garage/reserved desk holder and would like to get one in the new (or current) building, please fill out this [new building office interest survey](#) to “get in line” for an office and add any notes you’d like us to know about your choices.

All shared-workspace memberships will automatically transfer over.

Q: What storage will be included for Reserved Desks?

Reserved Desks will include the same rolling drawer/cabinets that are located at the 965 location.

Q: Is there public transportation access at the new building?

Yes, the building is right next to the Ashland/Lake Pink & Green EL stop. It is also right off the 9/X9 (Ashland) bus route.

Q: What is the parking situation at the new building?

There will be around 80 parking spaces available. Monthly passes will be available for purchase – price is still to be determined. There will not be a Zone 27 equivalent at this point in time however there is ample street parking in the area

Q: Is there going to be EV charging in the parking lot?

This is not in the current budget for construction, however mHUB is looking to identify sources of funding to support this investment.

Q: How will the shop change with more space available? More or different equipment?

All the capabilities you rely on in the existing shop will be available in the new shop. The square footage of the most popular spaces will increase. Equipment purchases for the new space will be decided after all the new building costs are determined.

The most interesting improvements are:

- All lab spaces are on the first floor. All offices and desk spaces are on the upper floors.
- There are windows in every lab space except the wet labs.
- The Electronics and Test Labs are in a separate 2300sf room.
- 900SF of private and common wet labs are planned with fume hoods and phenolic counters.
- Space for garages and Microfabs has been increased.
- A 340sf paint room with a 4ft spraybooth has been added.
- The assembly space has been enlarged to 2100sf in a space with a 15' pitched ceiling.

Q: What will the new wet lab space include?

There will be private, rentable wet lab spaces and a common wet lab space. All wet labs will be furnished with a fume hood, sink, and chemical-resistant counters.

We will also have 4 rentable wet lab benches and 2 fume hoods. The ability to book is not guaranteed but will be determined by demand in the ecosystem/community. Companies have the option to book the full room at a 1-2 year agreement.

Pricing for benches:

- \$125/day
- \$625/week (7 days)
- \$2,500/month
- Fume hood is rentable separately (2 available for 4 benches)

Q: What are the dock capabilities?

The dock will be accessible from Fulton St and is a planned manufacturing district with regular truck traffic. mHUB's dock will be remote-managed by the mHUB team, similar to today. At least one bay will be accessible to members and will have a dock leveler. One bay is at street level, making loading and unloading of passenger vehicles easy. There is direct access to a freight elevator and the prototyping shop from the dock area.

Q: What are the storage plans in the new building?

Storage and workspace will be similar to our current building - there will be rentable storage space ranging from cages to pallet racks. Current storage users can reevaluate their storage needs. Members with new storage needs can select storage during Welcome Week.

Storage items will be included in the Move Week, but members must pack their items onto pallets. An email with details have been sent to every storage user.

Q: Will there be storage for larger prototypes and projects?

Storage and workspace will be similar to our current building - there will be rentable storage space ranging from cages to pallet racks. For larger projects and builds, garage and microfactory spaces are

available for rent on the first floor within the prototyping shop. The new building has the infrastructure to host larger projects like greater headroom and garage door access.

Q: Is there access to ethernet in the reserved space, garages, and offices?

There will be access to ethernet in garages and private offices. Ethernet access at reserved desks will only be available on floor three.

Q: Will there be anywhere to take naps?

Nope.

Q: Will there still be 24/7 access to members?

Yes, reserved desk, office, and garage holders will have 24/7 access to the building.

Q: Will there be security in the new building?

Yes, the building's security will include access control, security cameras, and exterior lighting. Similar to this building, we have been very intentional about where card readers are placed to ensure multiple layers of security throughout the building. All private offices will have lockable doors.

Q: Will there be bike storage at the new building?

It is likely, though we do not know exactly what it will look like at this time. Updates coming soon.

If you have additional questions, submit them to membership@mhubchicago.com.