Theater, Recital Hall, and Auditorium Seating

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In General Fund areas, fixed theater, recital hall, and auditorium seating is maintained and repaired by Maintenance Services. Please notify the Facilities Service Center (FSC) if seating becomes loose or detached from the floor surface. Also, notify the FSC if seats are broken, noisy in operation, or do not retract properly. To request service, call the Facilities Service Center at 734-647-2059 or visit requests.fo.umich.edu.

Maintenance Services is responsible for repairing or replacing damaged seat surfaces (seat and back), such as plastic, wood, or fabric, if the surface is a potential hazard to users. Funding for these repairs may come from Risk Management if vandalism is the apparent cause.

If the seating surfaces wear out and replacement is needed, Maintenance Services has limited resources for these repairs and the cost of repairs may exceed the funds available. Generally, if the problems involve less than 10 seats, Maintenance Services will proceed with repairs. When Maintenance Services receives requests for large-scale seating condition problems (10 seats or more) in theaters, recital halls, and auditoriums, those requests are referred to AEC for inclusion on the Facilities Condition Assessment (FCA). Once the request is in the FCA, it will be prioritized against other capital projects and the work performed when funds are made available. We cannot guarantee timing and funding for these projects.

Departments may opt to fund the replacement of theater, recital halls, and auditorium seating themselves. AEC Construction Services is equipped to perform replacement or reconditioning work to improve the seating. Construction Services will meet with the department to properly plan the installation and can provide samples of the materials that meet university standards. To request service, call the Facilities Service Center at 734-647-2059 or visit requests.fo.umich.edu.