



LAKE SUPERIOR
COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

Lake Superior Community Health & Wellness Center

Proposed Regional Vision

The Lake Superior Community Health & Wellness Center is envisioned to be a 36,000 sf multi-purpose regional resource center anchored by a community health center located in the City of Duluth's Memorial Park adjoining Laura MacArthur Elementary in western Duluth.



**Anticipated Project
Financing**
State bonding request:
\$10 million
Other funding:
\$16.2 million
Total: \$26.2 million



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The Lake Superior Community Health & Wellness Center project will include:

- A full-scope community health center providing universal, regional access to comprehensive family medicine for adults and children, dental, behavior health, chiropractic, lab, and more.
- Increased access to high need services among low income residents including dental and behavioral health.
- Expanded workforce opportunities in areas of identified need, including medical and dental support staff, therapists, hygienists, and more.
- Out-of-school-time youth development programming by the non-profit Valley Youth Center.
- Workforce development services by CareerForce.
- Multi-purpose meeting rooms for public use.
- Development of Laura MacArthur Elementary as Duluth's fourth community school with wrap-around services.

Project Partners:

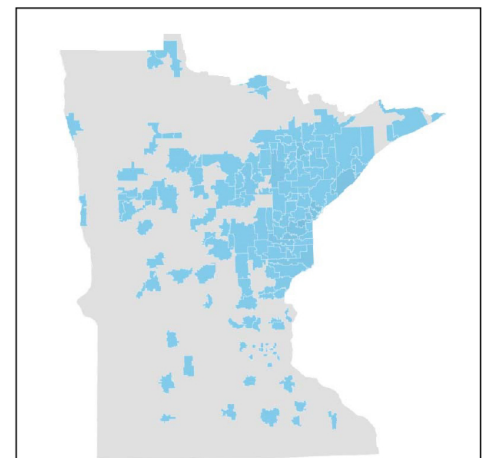
Lake Superior Community Health Center, Valley Youth Center, Duluth Community School Collaborative, Health Equity Northland, City of Duluth, Duluth Public Schools, RiverFront Community Development.

It is anticipated that project partners will:

- Contribute substantial capital funding, real estate, and/or operating support.
- Cooperate on facility design, construction, maintenance, and programming.
- Allow connectivity and/or access from the new community center to the existing Laura MacArthur Elementary gymnasium and perhaps additional school-based space.
- Upgrade Laura MacArthur Elementary to a designated community school with wrap-around services provided, in part, in the new facility.

Anticipated next steps, pending full funding package:

- 2025: Secure \$250,000 in state funding for project planning and pre-design.
- 2026: Complete project planning, pre-design, and financing plan.
- 2027: Submit pre-design to state for construction funding request in 2028 bonding session.
- 2028: Secure state construction funding.
- 2029: Complete construction.



Dental Patient Origin

- Health center service area includes St. Louis and Carlton Counties with catchment area extending statewide
- Currently 35% of patients reside outside the Duluth metro area
- Expanded space will increase access for patients and clinical learners from across the region