



# VENTURA VILLAGE



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## CUHCC planning a new building on current property

Franklin Avenue will see another major improvement as the University of Minnesota is designing a new building for the Community-University Health Care Center (CUHCC), located at 2001 Bloomington Avenue.

The new two-story building—scheduled to open in 2027—will allow CUHCC to serve more patients, add more services and enhance its professional training programs for future health professionals. “Our patients deserve a state-of-the art, welcoming environment that supports their health and healing,” says Roli Dwivedi, MD, the clinic’s CEO. The design aims to accomplish this through better integration of medical and mental health service, bigger exam rooms, better flow throughout the clinic, and space for programs and community gatherings.

To maintain patients’ access to CUHCC’s medical, dental and behavioral health services, the current building will remain fully operational while the new building is constructed (starting early 2026) in CUHCC’s current parking lot. Once the new building is complete, UMN will demolish the current building and create a parking lot on the building’s southside.

CUHCC has served the Phillips Community since 1958. It annually provides medical, dental, mental health, and social services to nearly 11,000 patients who represent the cultural, racial and economic diversity of the neighborhood. As a community clinic that provides care to all who seek it, CUHCC has been a cornerstone

of high-quality, patient-centered care for immigrants, refugees and people with limited income.

In November 2024, CUHCC invited neighborhood residents and representatives from local businesses and community organizations to open house events to provide input on ways the new facility can serve their healthcare needs and enhance the community. Future community input opportunities will be posted in the Alley Events Calendar and on CUHCC’s website. *Information provided by Lara Pratt*

## Produce Distribution at CUHCC

CUHCC will offer a fresh food distribution on Wednesday, February 19th, from 2:00-4:00 PM in the south parking lot. Stop by to pick up free, pre-packaged boxes of fresh fruits and vegetables for you and your family.



*Preliminary design of CUHCC's new Building (facing East along Franklin Avenue)*

## YouthLine Mission

The Phillips Community Center is one of 12 Minneapolis Recreation Centers that sponsor YouthLine. YouthLine is a year-round program for ages 12 - 17, that provides mentorship, leadership development, Life skills learning, health and wellness education, outdoor adventure opportunities, and recreation programs. Contact Ahmed at the PCC for more information.

## Our Saviour's Shelter

Our Saviour's Shelter has moved to the old Ebenezer Health Center at 2545 Portland during their construction. They are looking for volunteers and in-kind donations for their daily programs. You can contact Wateen at [Volunteer@oscs-mn.org](mailto:Volunteer@oscs-mn.org) or go to our website for more information.

## Ventura Village News

Our February General Membership meeting will be Wednesday, February 12th, at 7 PM. Our committees meet Thursday, February 27th at 5:30pm. Both meetings are in person at the ICCM Life Center, 1812 Park Avenue and on Zoom (link available on our website)

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