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A New Foundation for a Stronger Future

CC Idaho Holds Groundbreaking Ceremony for New Community Family Clinic

October 27th, 2016 (Idaho Falls, ID) - The Community Council of Idaho (CC Idaho) celebrates a major milestone with a ceremonial groundbreaking for the construction of a new health clinic. After years of planning and support from employees, physicians and healthcare professionals, community members, elected officials, and construction workers, all will gather on Monday, November 14, at 5:00pm.

The ceremony will take place at the new clinic location of Hoopes Ave and Alan St, Idaho Falls. The new Community Family Clinic will enable us to accomplish the following goals: First, deliver health services to 50% more low income, uninsured and disadvantaged individuals/families, and the underserved and unserved migrant and seasonal farmworker in the Idaho Falls service area. Second, increase the types and quality of health care services we provide. And third, improve clinic sustainability by reducing monthly and long-term facility costs and bringing all facility decisions under our control. The clinic design is a 9,400 square foot, one-story, free-standing facility with 17 exam rooms and one large shared exam/procedure room to support six providers or four providers and seven residents throughout the first year of service. The collaboration with the local hospital, Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center, was designed to establish a residency program to increase primary care medical doctors for the current shortage in Idaho.

Patients and visitors can expect an improved overall experience beyond the continued presence of dependable, high-quality health care. “As dedicated staff, we want nothing less but the very best health care for our neighbors, family, and friends. The new facility will help us deliver that,” shares Arnold Cantu, CC Idaho Clinic Administrator. Irma Morin, CC Idaho CEO adds, “It’s our mission to provide everyone with accessible healthcare services, and this facility’s construction is essential to the city of Idaho Falls to help the estimated 33,315 low-income residents in the area unserved. Yes, this groundbreaking is an important step, but we must continue to work together to ensure crucial funding is available to provide world-class care at a fraction of the cost. We plan to launch our Capital Campaign at the groundbreaking ceremony to raise the dire funds still needing to be obtained for the sustainability of the health clinic. We know we’ll have the full support of Idaho Falls residents. This is an economic benefit for the city with great job opportunities, attracting new residents and new businesses.”

The project is expected to be a \$2 million investment. Construction is expected to start the week of the event, with a tentative completion date in spring or early summer of 2017. With much ahead, we know a new foundation is being set for a stronger future. Over the decades, CC Idaho has changed the life of thousands of patients across Southeastern Idaho. With our new clinic, we will continue our mission, and hope to now transform the lives of millions.

Join us, Mayor Rebecca Casper, and Michelle Holt CEO of the Idaho Falls Chamber of Commerce to learn more about the new health clinic and share a light dinner. To RSVP call (208) 454-1652 or for detailed information and media requests, please contact:

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