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## Highland District Hospital to Break Ground on Building Expansion Project 2020



**Hillsboro, Ohio - August 30, 2018** Highland District Hospital will soon break ground on an unprecedented investment in the very community it has served for over 100 years. In partnership with Pepper Construction of Ohio, and design firm TEG Architects, and working collaboratively with Megen Construction, a 39,000 square foot addition, renovation and parking lot expansion will begin in September 2018, with projected completion in summer 2020.

Beginning its sixth, extensive project- from complete new build in 1962, to several expansions and renovations throughout its history- *Building Expansion Project 2020* will consist of the addition of all private, inpatient rooms equipped with the newest technologies, a separate orthopedic and sports medicine outpatient clinic, onsite and expanded outpatient rehabilitation, additional patient registration access points, a new cancer care unit, an expanded and remodeled surgery unit, and a more easily accessible patient entrance with improved traffic access, including a parking lot expansion. Construction will be completed in several phases to ensure Highland District Hospital will remain fully operational during construction.

"We have made a focused-effort to enhance the areas that will make the most impact for you and your family based on the feedback we have received from patients," stated Randal Lennartz, President & CEO of Highland District Hospital. "Our mission to serve the community by providing accessible, efficient,



quality healthcare in an atmosphere of safety, compassion, and excellence will continue to be our daily focus, but these improvements will provide a more positive patient experience for years to come."

Tim Parry, Vice President of Operations added, "This addition and renovation allows us to offer a more patient care-centered atmosphere to our patients. The demand to care for more critical patients right here in our own community is growing, and this project expands our capabilities. It is a very exciting time for our organization."

Highland District Hospital is a critical access designated, 25-bed acute care facility that employs more than 350 people and benefits from the services of over 50 community volunteers. The medical staff includes over 100 physicians and mid-level providers, representing over 25 specialties and subspecialties. Highland District Hospital is a community-centered hospital that serves Highland and the surrounding counties, and is known for their state-of-the-art technology and innovative healthcare services. More information is available at www.hdh.org.

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