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Highland District Hospital Begins Building Expansion Project



Hillsboro, Ohio – January 28, 2019 Highland District Hospital, in partnership with Pepper Construction of Ohio, design firm TEG Architects, and working collaboratively with Megen Construction, has officially begun its unprecedented \$23M investment expanding its current foot print by over 39,000 square feet, renovating the existing space, and increasing the parking lot capacity as it enters Phase 1. "Phase 1 involves a lot of preparation and coordination. Some entrances will be closed temporarily and others will remain open. You will also begin to see changes to our traffic patterns as you enter the campus. Please be patient with us. We are working very hard to make sure that we get you where you need to go safely and timely," stated Vice President of Operations, Tim Parry. "If you are on our campus and you need help, we encourage you to ask us- that is why we are here." During this Phase, patients and visitors are encouraged to park and enter the building on the front side of the campus, at the main patient entrance. Phase 1 includes the construction of fencing, gates, and work stations, and site work will begin preparing the campus for the months ahead. Building materials will start to be delivered and stored onsite, and the back parking area will start expanding now that trees have been cleared from the area. Construction will be completed in several phases to ensure



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Highland District Hospital will remain fully operational during construction. Updates will continue to be released throughout the project to media outlets, including the HDH Facebook page and the HDH website (www.hdh.org), with more information.

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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