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May Brings Funding for New Health Clinic to Highland Park

New Facility Will Primarily Meet Needs of Expectant Mothers, Children

HIGHLAND PARK – The citizens of Southeast Lake County can look forward to increased access to quality health care thanks to state grants secured by state Rep. Karen May, D-Highland Park, which were recently released to the Lake County Health Department.

“Right now, many citizens of Highland Park and Highwood have to travel all the way to Waukegan to receive affordable health care,” said May. “This new facility, will allow those in need of treatment, especially expectant mothers and children, to get the medical attention they need closer to home.”

The new clinic, which is currently under construction at 1840 Green Bay Rd. in Highland Park, is being completed thanks to two grants secured by May. The funds, which have a combined value of \$225,000, culminate an almost six year process of trying to secure funding for the center. Construction of the facility is expected to be completed by mid-summer.

The primary role of the new health clinic will be to serve as a safety-net provider for both the uninsured and Medicaid population in Lake County. Addressing the needs of these growing populations has become a priority for the health department. Last year it served over 86,000 individuals at over 400,000 medical visits. The new clinic will help provide primary care to the residents of Lake County and alleviate the stress these visits place on the health system.

“I’m glad I was able to help secure funding for this important new facility,” said May. “This new clinic will reduce demands on the health department and help make sure our community remains healthy.”

Rep. May serves the 58th District, which includes all or portions of Deerfield, Highwood, Lake Forest, Highland Park, Riverwoods, Glencoe, Northbrook and Lake Bluff.

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