## **GRUNDY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

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## **Grundy County: Building a Future**

An Explanation of the Process to result in the moving of several county offices.

Grundy County seeks to relocate departments so as to better house complimentary services and respond to the growing needs of the community. This is the first step in a multi-year, phased process to build a new facility intended to house complimentary services, which may include the Health Department, Regional Office of Education, Community Action, Child Advocacy Center and others.

Phase I Build Health Department Facility, may include the Health Department, Regional

Office of Education, Community Action, Child Advocacy Center and others.

To be completed in 2025

Phase II Relocate County Clerk, County Assessor and County Treasurer to the

Administration Building. To be completed in TBD

Phase III Renovate existing Courthouse to serve as Judicial Center of all court-related

services.

To be completed in TBD

Assessment efforts began in early 2022, and included evaluating programmatic need, expected growth in population (and services), and visiting potential existing real estate.

An internal workgroup comprised of County and Health Department leadership and Board members met regularly to evaluate findings. The workgroup includes: Mary Kucharz (County Administrator), Matt Melvin (County Finance Director), Alec MacDonald (County Purchasing Manager), Joan Harrop (Board of Health), Dean Marketti (Board of Health) and Michelle Pruim (Public Health Administrator). Additional staff or Board members have been included as needed.

Upon public release of Request for Qualifications in June 2022 for Phase I of the process, four bids were received. One bid was unanimously selected by the workgroup, and recommended to the full County Board for consideration. In September 2022, the County Board unanimously approved to pursue design/build services with Kluber & Associates and Architects for Phase I.

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**BOARD OF HEALTH** 

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In April 2023, Kluber & Associates were selected to pursue design services for Phase II of the process. To date, all Elected Officials and County Department heads have engaged with Kluber to express programmatic need and community interests.

Please see attached Fact Sheets and Drawings for information related to the growth in the community, the County Board's commitment to efficiently meet those needs responsibly, and visual representation of potential new facility.

Additional information can be found at County website (<a href="https://www.grundycountyil.gov/">https://www.grundycountyil.gov/</a>), including timelines and other public documents related to this project.

For more information about opportunities of collaboration and partnership, please contact County Chairman Chris Balkema at <a href="mailto:cbalkema@grundycountyil.gov">cbalkema@grundycountyil.gov</a>.

For information about Health Department programs, please contact Public Health Administrator Michelle Pruim at <a href="mailto:mpruim@grundyhealth.com">mpruim@grundyhealth.com</a> or 815-941-3404.

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# GRUNDY COUNTY, ILLINOIS BUILDING A FUTURE

33.4% POPULATION INCREASE FROM 2000 TO 2010

4.93% POPULATION INCREASE FROM 2010 TO 2020



Grundy County continues to be one of the most attractive Counties to raise a family in the State of Illinois

WITH INCREASING POPULATION COMES INCREASING NEED FOR SERVICES

# **COLLABORATION OF SERVICES**

JUDICIAL CENTER (CURRENT COURTHOUSE)

- COURTROOMS & COURT SERVICES

## **ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**

- LAND AND TAXING DEPARTMENTS
- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND CORONER
- VETERAN AFFAIRS
- COUNTY SUPPORT SERVICES

# COMMUNITY SERVICES (NEW BUILDING)

- BUILT ON EXISTING COUNTY PROPERTY
- 22.000 SQ FT
- PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT
- CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER
- FLEXIBLE AGENCY OFFICES

# **NEXT STEPS!**

- Complete building design
- Secure final funds
- Education to stakeholders
- Communication with public

The new Community Services building will house the Health Department and corresponding county services.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT SERVICES ARE INCREASING AT A RATE FASTER THAN POPULATION GROWTH

12% SENIOR SERVICES

23% FOOD ESTABLISHMENT COMPLIANCE

42% WIC (WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN)

42% PRIVATE WATER WELL AND SEWAGE

44% BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES



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For more information about opportunities of collaboration and partnership, please contact Alec Macdonald: 815-941-3120 or amacdonald@grundycountyil.gov

March, 2023



# **Grundy County, Illinois Building A Future**

Through partnerships and collaborations the Health Department works towards the Vision of Healthy People, Thriving Communities and Vibrant Futures.

"On the law enforcement side, I see the need for additional public health services in our county, especially mental health. Our only previous options during times of crisis have been to arrest or bring a resident to the emergency department. Increased collaboration with the health department can help to reduce these two things and better serve our residents."

Ken Briley, Grundy County Sheriff

# **Health Department Building**

Located on School Street in existing "soccer field"
Doors Open 2025 22,000 sq ft \$10.8M

The newly established Grundy County Campus will allow for collaboration of services for residents.

Health Department
Veteran's Assistance Commission
Regional Office of Education
Child Advocacy Center
Community Action (Kendall/Grundy)
"Flexible" Agency Space\*
And more!

\*Flexible Space is available for occasional use by State and social service organizations of like-services, but without permanent office space in Grundy.

# **EXPANSION OF SERVICES TO MEET GROWING NEED**

New programming space for SENIORS

Address social isolation and encourages aging in place

Currently 7,000 seniors in Grundy; expected to double by 2040

Increase INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT PROGRAM for behavioral health

Address greatest community health need as identified in assessments 45% increase in services from 2019 to 2022

Offer PRIVATE laboratory and diagnostic clinical rooms

Address communicable disease testing, vision & hearing screenings and services for high risk infants 50% increase in services for infants through older adults

Include a TEACHING KITCHEN for food service entrepreneurs

Address expanding economy and community events 30% increase in food facilities from 2019 to 2022

"Both the County Health Department and the Hospital need to increase the emphasis on preventive care and chronic disease management, with the ultimate goal of reducing the need for hospitalization by improving the population's health overall."

Thomas Dohm, President and CEO Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers

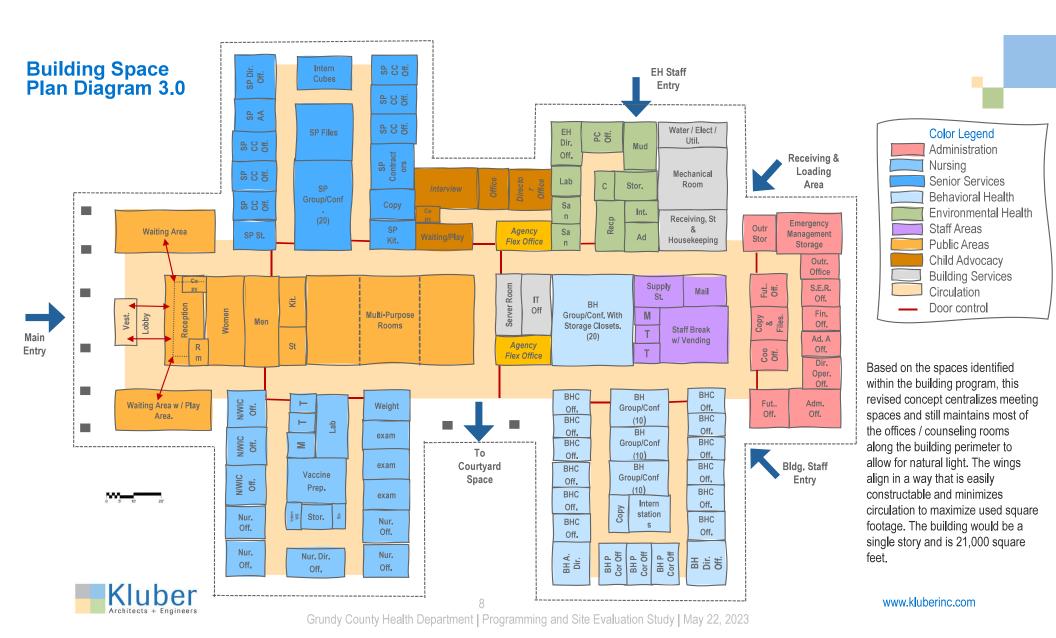


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**Building Site Diagram 3.0** 



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