

Name announced for new 10-county mental health crisis center

2/27/2020 Gearing up for spring groundbreaking

Southeast Regional Crisis Center – that is the official name of the new mental health crisis center to be built in Rochester, Minnesota. To ensure individuals living in the 10 counties served by the center are aware the facility will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, a newly designed logo for the Southeast Regional Crisis Center includes a tagline of 24/7 Mental Health Services.



Nationwide, the mental health system is struggling to cope with mental health crises and the ongoing drug epidemic. Nearly one in five adults in the U.S. lives with a mental illness, according to the National Institute of Mental Health. From 2007-2014, Minnesota's hospitals experienced a 49 percent increase in all mental health emergency department visits, which included substance abuse, for all ages. With nowhere else to go, patients in crisis often wait days, weeks and months for admission to an appropriate facility for their needs; having a crisis center in southeast Minnesota will help fill those serious gaps in care.

Major milestones coming up for the Southeast Regional Crisis Center include selecting a service provider in the coming months and groundbreaking this spring. The intent is to open the Southeast Regional Crisis Center in the spring of 2021.

Need mental health services now?

If you or someone you know is currently experiencing a mental health crisis, help is just a phone call away: 844-274-7472.

About the Southeast Regional Crisis Center

The Southeast Regional Crisis Center will provide care to individuals in southeast Minnesota who are experiencing a mental health care crisis. Services will be available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The facility is being built in Rochester, Minnesota and expected to open in 2021. The center will serve Dodge, Fillmore, Goodhue, Houston, Mower, Olmsted, Steele, Wabasha, Waseca and Winona counties. The Southeast Regional Crisis Center is being made possible thanks to a collaboration between Olmsted Medical Center, Mayo Clinic, the southeast chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), the Collaborative Resource Education Services and Technology (CREST) initiative, and several other partners. The Minnesota Department of Human services awarded \$5 million in funding to the center in 2019.