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Center in Brighton

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The city's redevelopment authority board voted unanimously this week to approve plans by the Joseph M. Smith Community Health Center to build a two-story, 48,000-square-foot medical facility in Brighton.

The \$26.5-million project calls for constructing a LEED-certified clinic that will allow the health center to consolidate several of its existing locations into the

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new facility.

The building would include a retail pharmacy open to the public, a family medicine clinic, a dental clinic with 10 exam rooms, a laboratory, a behavioral health medical suite, an administrative suite, a vision clinic with four exam rooms and a retail eye glass shop, and a conference area for health center and community use, officials have said.

The project will create an estimated 188 construction jobs, according the Boston Redevelopment Authority board, which approved the plan Tuesday evening.

Officials at the health center [told boston.com last summer](#) that the new facility will be completed by 2015 on three parcels of state-owned property at 487-495 Western Ave. in Brighton, where a State Police barracks and salt and sand maintenance facility currently operate.

[State officials have said](#) the barracks and the salt and sand facility will move to other yet-to-be determined sites.

The 2.2-acre site is bordered by Soldiers Field Road to the north and Western

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...ly doubling the roughly 6,000 patients served currently at
...venue locations, officials have said.

...kick-start funding for the proposed medical building, the
...ed a \$5 million grant authorized through the federal health

...cently sold a half-acre of property it owns in Allston to a
...to use the proceeds from the \$1.3-million sale to help cover
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...p of Allston resident Joseph M. Smith, the community
...established in 1974 at the Charlesview Apartments complex.
...id it now serves a total of nearly 12,000 patients annually

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