



NEW SAMARITAN HOSPITAL COMING TO NEWPORT

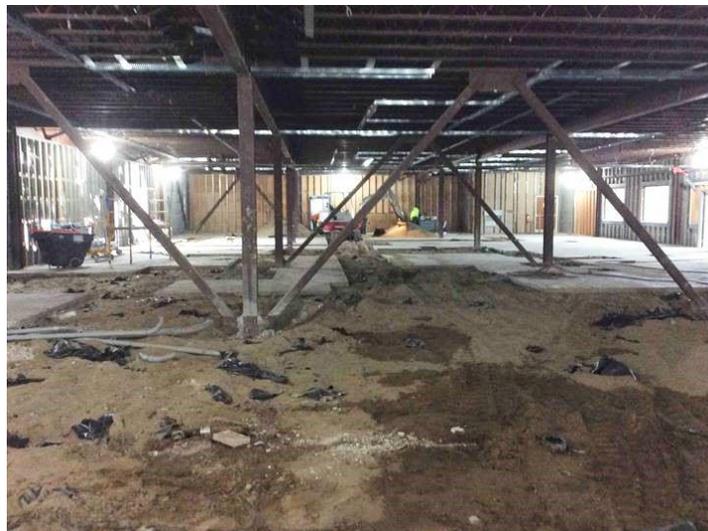
88 BUILDING HAS BEEN CUT LOOSE

The 88 Building has now been cut away from the 1953 building at the former Gift Shop area, giving us a view now of the hospital profile when the project is completed. (see photo below) All brick has been removed from the building façade, and the sheeting that remains will serve as a bit of a weather barrier for the near future.



PLUMBING GOING IN

Behind the curtain of sheeting, the concrete flooring on the first floor has been saw-cut and removed in places so that plumbing can be installed. Pipes are being installed, starting at the southern-most end of the building, which is the deepest end, and will continue north.



EARTHQUAKE-READY UPGRADE IN PROCESS

When our 88 Building is complete, it will be designed to the same seismic design category as our new building, a Category F, the highest level in the nation for earthquake safety in our fault zone. To prepare for that seismic upgrade, crews are currently removing old seismic braces to install seismic anchors called helical piers deeper into the ground. They will then add new seismic braces similar to the angled steel beams that can be seen in our new addition. We received a \$1.5 million grant from the State of Oregon to cover the costs of this seismic upgrade.

PARKING LOT ON ITS WAY

A week or so ago, you may have noticed the rumbling equipment at work in the southwest corner of the campus, packing down the sand, and rattling the building in the process. One of our new parking lots will go here. The compaction is done for the moment, although more will come as they get further into the process. In the meantime, they have dug two retention ponds and are finalizing their connection to the city's storm drain. The ponds are needed to help control stormwater runoff so that water after a heavy rainstorm dissipates in a more regulated way as it would naturally before the addition of concrete and soon-to-come asphalt. In a few weeks, they will begin adding sidewalks, curbs and gutters to the parking area. This lot is on track to open by July. There will be approximately 90 parking stalls.



QUESTIONS

Email me your question about the project, and I'll try to get you answers: Tricia Schug at tschug@samhealth.org.

For other information on the hospital project, as well as prior New Hospital Updates, go to samhealth.org/NewHospitalNewport

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