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American Indian Health & Family Services Announces Official Opening of New Health & Wellness Center in Southwest Detroit

New 29,000-square-foot facility on 5.3 acres will expand access to culturally grounded healthcare, behavioral health, wellness and community services

DETROIT, MI — [November 5, 2026] — American Indian Health & Family Services (AIHFS) is proud to announce the official opening of its new Health & Wellness Center at **4559 Wesson Street, Detroit, Michigan 48210**, marking an important new chapter in the organization's more than four decades of service to Native American families and underserved communities throughout Southeast Michigan.

The new facility replaces AIHFS's longtime location at **4880 Lawndale** and represents a significant expansion of the organization's ability to provide integrated, culturally grounded healthcare and wellness services to the community.

"This new Health & Wellness Center represents much more than a new building," said **Chasity Dial, Chief Executive Officer of American Indian Health & Family Services**. "It represents our continued commitment to creating a place where people and families feel welcomed, respected, supported and connected to care. This facility allows us to build on the work AIHFS has been doing since 1978 while creating new opportunities for the health and wellness of generations to come."

The new center was developed around AIHFS's integrated approach to care, bringing together medical care, behavioral health, community health and family wellness services in an environment that honors Native American cultural traditions while incorporating contemporary healthcare practices. A key new feature is the addition of an onsite pharmacy with a dedicated drive-up window. The pharmacy, Bridge City Pharmacy, is provided through a historic partnership with the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians. This new feature will streamline the patient experience, ensuring that prescription management is seamlessly woven into a holistic wellness journey.

The approximately **29,000-square-foot** facility was designed to provide expanded space and resources for healthcare and wellness services. Plans for the campus include areas supporting healthcare and community programming, along with outdoor and culturally significant spaces designed to promote connection, wellness and community.

The new location is the culmination of years of planning, partnership and community support. The property was blessed in 2022 in preparation for its future role in serving the community, and

AIHFS officially broke ground on the new facility on **June 4, 2025**. Construction progressed throughout 2026, bringing the organization closer to its goal of creating a state-of-the-art health and wellness center in Southwest Detroit.

AIHFS serves American Indian/Alaska Native individuals, families and other underserved populations throughout a seven-county service area in Southeast Michigan. The organization's mission is to empower and enhance the physical, spiritual, emotional and mental wellbeing of the communities it serves through culturally grounded health and family services.

"AIHFS is deeply grateful to the many community members, partners, funders, supporters, staff and leaders who helped make this vision possible," said Dial. "This is a milestone we celebrate together. We look forward to welcoming our community into this new space and continuing our work toward *Minobinmaadziwin* — the Good Life."

Community members, partners and members of the media are invited to join AIHFS for an official grand opening celebration on November 4, at 10am. ([RSVP HERE](#))

The new AIHFS Health & Wellness Center is located at:

**American Indian Health & Family Services
4559 Wesson Street
Detroit, MI 48210**

Additional information regarding services, appointments and the transition from the Lawndale location will be announced by AIHFS as the opening date approaches.

For more information, visit www.aihfs.org or contact AIHFS at **(313) 846-3718**.

About American Indian Health & Family Services

Founded in 1978, American Indian Health & Family Services (AIHFS) is a nonprofit health and community wellness organization serving American Indian/Alaska Native individuals, families and other underserved populations throughout Southeast Michigan. AIHFS integrates traditional Native American healing and spiritual practices with contemporary Western medicine through an integrated care model encompassing medical care, behavioral health, community health and family wellness services.

AIHFS is a Title V Urban Indian Health Organization and a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), serving a seven-county area throughout Southeast Michigan.

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