

South Dakota

Community Facilities Service • Community Facility Direct Loan

A South Dakota Rural Community Invests in Health System Expansion

The Burke Community Memorial Hospital is undergoing a major expansion project. The existing hospital was constructed in 1948 and no major renovations have occurred for the past 28 years. The hospital and clinic structures are two separate buildings which is a huge inconvenience for patients and staff. Market conditions have justified the need to expand the clinic onto the hospital to provide better, more efficient health care services.

The upgraded facility will house an expanded patient and exam addition, include renovated space for emergency services, and outpatient services. Patient services will include six exam rooms, large nurse station and support, reception, waiting area, and administrative offices, emergency department with two ED bays, consultation area, covered ambulance garage with decontamination area, and lab facilities will include X-ray area, CT scan area and lab room, along with a new pharmacy.

This new facility will provide the space needed to operate more efficiently and maintains the delivery of cost effective, quality healthcare, as well as allows for future growth and expanded economic opportunity. The entrance will be welcoming to the entire community and the Emergency Room stands ready to serve local, regional, and visiting residents.

USDA Rural Development awarded the hospital \$5.55 million in low-interest direct loans through its Community Facilities program.



Pictured above is the Burke Community Memorial Hospital. Photo courtesy of Burke Community Memorial Hospital.

Obligation Amount:	\$5.55 million Community Facility Direct Loan
Date of Obligation:	12/19/2016
Congressional District:	At Large, Senator Thune, Senator Rounds, and Congresswoman Noem
Partners:	Burke Community Hospital, USDA Rural Development
Demographics:	Burke is located in Gregory County. Burke's population as of the 2010 Census is 604.
Impact:	This project is an example of how partnerships can work to improve infrastructure in rural communities and increase efficiency and services to the residents. This project provides rural residents with cost-effective, quality healthcare services.