

April 3, 2023

NDC is proud to provide this letter of support for **Southside Community Health Services (Southside)**. NDC has a 30-year history of developing low-income entrepreneurs through Training, Lending, Technical Assistance, and Incubators. To date, we have trained over 6,370 entrepreneurs and provided over \$32MM in small business loans, primarily to BIPOC business owners. We provide over 4,000 hours of technical assistance annually, and run 5 successful business incubators, including the Midtown Global Market in the heart of South Minneapolis, Frogtown Square, and Frogtown Crossroads at University & Dale.

Given the proximity of Southside's new location to the Midtown Global Market, we know how critical it is to provide this service in the Phillips community.

Southside has been a critical part of South Minneapolis' health care and social services community for over 50 years. Southside currently provides services in two separate facilities located one mile apart, impeding fully integrated care for patients, and space limitations at both locations mean no expansion is possible. The medical clinic is co-located in the Richard R. Green Central Park Elementary School. Southside has not only outgrown the space, but more importantly the facility is not conducive for the delivery of the high-quality healthcare Southside's patients deserve.

Just 36% of all low-income South Minneapolis residents have received care at a community health center, leaving over 56,000 whose needs may be unmet. Southside has a new patient wait list of over 1,000 for dental. Medical and behavioral health provider panels are full. Few local dental providers accept uninsured patients or those covered by Medicaid. There is a significant need for more clinical capacity to serve low-income patients in South Minneapolis. In short, the current facilities do not offer the opportunity to reach thousands more in need and do not match the award-winning quality of care that Southside provides and that its patients deserve. More than 65% of Southside's patients were uninsured in 2022, demonstrating the continued need for clinics like Southside who provide a safety net for the community. Southside serves all regardless of ability to pay and accepts all forms of insurance and other patient assistance programs.

Bringing all services under one roof allows Southside to provide a holistic approach to care, with multi-specialty providers working together to address each patient's unique medical, behavioral health, dental, and vision needs. The increased capacity will allow current patients to receive medical, dental, and behavioral health care in one location.

Southside's mission of ***improving the health of our patients and communities by delivering exceptional care, removing barriers, and promoting healthy lifestyles*** and the foundational

and historic focus on health equity and expansion of affordable access in the Federally Qualified Health Center program, demonstrates a clear alignment between the State of Minnesota's Health Minnesotans Goals to ***prevent future health disparities and to reshape our communities so that everyone will have the opportunity to be healthy.***

If I can be of any assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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March 31, 2023

Rep. Fue Lee
Sen. Sandy Pappas

Dear Chair Lee and Chair Pappas,

It is our privilege to write to you in support of Southside Community Health Services' new clinic—this is a project that the Lake Street Corridor and south Minneapolis needs now more than ever.

We support Southside's project because the construction of Southside's new 30,000 sq ft clinic space is needed to adequately serve the unmet need for affordable, high quality primary care in the neighborhood. The new facility will:

- bring all of Southside's services (primary medical, dental, vision, and integrated behavioral health) under one roof to better meet the healthcare needs of people served by the clinics.
- provide expanded services to include x-ray, mammography, a diagnostic laboratory, a vision clinic, dental facilities, and community space.
- be open in the evenings and on weekends to provide greater convenience and improved access.
- increase Southside's patient capacity by 40%.
- better meet the community's social determinants of health (food, housing, jobs training, et cetera) by partnering with neighboring social service agencies.
- retain 65 permanent positions (27% LIPs; 80% minority) and create another 28 positions (50% LIPs; 65% minority) in the high wage and high demand healthcare industry.



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We are all aware that the Lake Street corridor bears the scars of intentional, generational, economic divestment and Southside's role as a safety net provider in the area will contribute to community healing and long-term prosperity after the pandemic and civil unrest of 2020. Constructing a community clinic that is dedicated to diversity, promoting health equity, and providing exceptional care to all will fill a void for the neighborhood and improve the overall health and well-being of people.

We are pleased to give this project our highest recommendation. We support Southside and we encourage you and thank you for all your diligent and hard work in tending the health of our Minneapolis communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Allison Sharkey".

Allison Sharkey

Executive Director, Lake Street Council



March 31, 2023

Committee on Capital Investment
State of Minnesota Legislature
Minnesota Senate Building
95 University Ave W
Saint Paul, MN 55155

Re: Southside Community Health Services Appropriation

Dear Senator Pappas and Representative Lee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a letter of support regarding the appropriation being considered for Southside Community Health Services and their new planned facilities along Lake Street in Minneapolis. As a property owner and manager active in the Lake Street area since 2005, we are supportive of the important and needed services Southside will bring to a new Lake Street location. Southside has shown their commitment to this community for over 50 years and has provided quality care for their patients, who face the highest barriers to access. These appropriation dollars are critical to Southside's ability to create new facilities, which will provide greater dignity in care and a higher level of service for their clients than their current facilities allow.

The area in which Southside is proposing new facilities along Lake Street is one that is in desperate need for reinvestment. Following the murder of George Floyd in 2020, and subsequent unrest, many of the buildings in this area were destroyed. Southside's new facilities are a wonderful opportunity to support local investment, economic development and job growth with a proven organization that has been a leader in service to the community.

We urge you to support Southside Community Health Services in their efforts through an appropriation of \$10M.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in green ink that reads "Tony Barranco".

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President, North Region

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Ann Cazaban

From: HRSA CDS Program 2023 <CDSProgram2023@hrsa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 7, 2023 7:59 AM
To: Ann Cazaban
Subject: Action Required by February 15: Information Regarding HRSA Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending Projects

Greetings,

Congratulations on your organization's eligibility to apply for Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending (CPF/CDS) projects funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). This email is being sent to confirm that the information we have on file for your organization is correct. **Please respond by Wednesday, February 15, 2023.**

The information presented below is consistent with what was identified in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (P.L. 117-328):

Organization Name	Southside Community Health Services, Inc. - Co-Locate Federally Qualified Health Center at Sabathani
State	MN
Amount	\$3000000
Brief Project Description	Southside Community Health Services, Inc., MN, for facilities and equipment

Our contact information for your organization is below. If the POC is incorrect, provide the correct name, email address, and phone number. Please also answer the accompanying questions and respond to this email by February 15 with confirmation that the information is correct, or provide the correct information.

Organization Point of Contact (POC) Name	Ann Cazaban
POC Email	ann.cazaban@southsidechs.org
POC Phone Number	612-821-2025
Are you applying under the same organization name provided in the Act or under a different name?	If different, please provide the organization name that you will apply under for the CPF/CDS award.
Organization Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)	Please enter the UEI that you will be applying under for the CPF/CDS award. This must align with the name of the organization you are applying under this award. Please place "Do not know" if your organization does not have a UEI yet.
Did you receive a CPF/CDS award from HRSA in fiscal year 2022? Please respond "yes" or "no."	If yes, please provide the HRSA Grant Number.