

Taking care of healthcare

Maintain and modernize aging health care facilities

Minnesotans depend on critical healthcare facilities

Hennepin County's health facilities provide services to residents of Hennepin County, the metro region, and the state of Minnesota. We are responsible for providing services to those in need.

To meet this need, we own significant physical facilities, including: NorthPoint Health and Wellness Center, the Medical Examiner Facility, Red Door Clinic, Mental Health Center, Behavioral and Chemical Health facility at 1800 Chicago, Hennepin County Medical Center (HCMC), and other health facilities.

What distinguishes Hennepin:

- The state's only Level I trauma center for BOTH adult and pediatrics.
- The state's largest safety net hospital for low-income, the uninsured and vulnerable populations.
- An essential teaching hospital for doctors that go on to practice across the state.
- A medical examiner facility that serves Hennepin, Scott, and Dakota counties.
- A multi-specialty medical, dental and mental health center and human service agency, NorthPoint Health and Wellness, in North Minneapolis.

Hennepin's health facilities need financial support

If we stay on the current trajectory, we are going to hit a financial wall. Hennepin's assets will continue to age and need to be preserved. The county will need to invest significantly in the next decade to maintain the current level of access and care to residents.

Solution:

Restructure Hennepin's Ballpark Sales Tax to fund Hennepin's Health Facilities while continuing to maintain the ballpark facility

1. In 2006, Hennepin County agreed to help build Target Field ballpark and surrounding public infrastructure solely with the proceeds of a 0.15 percent sales tax in Hennepin County.
2. Almost twenty years later, the public is the owner of a multipurpose, sustainable ballpark that has spurred significant development downtown, bringing millions to the area for baseball, soccer games, outdoor concerts, college football games and outdoor professional hockey.

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ability to serve
as many residents
as we do

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who live, work
and visit here.**

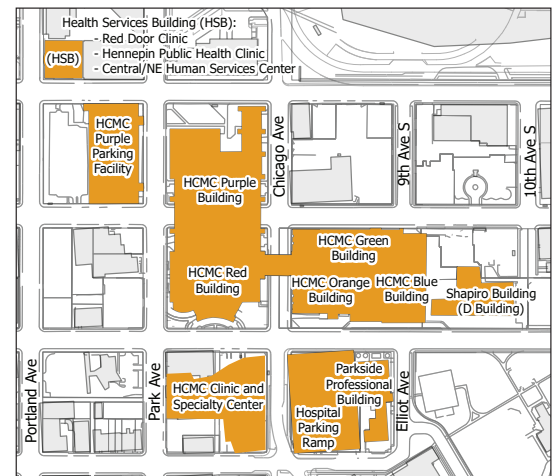
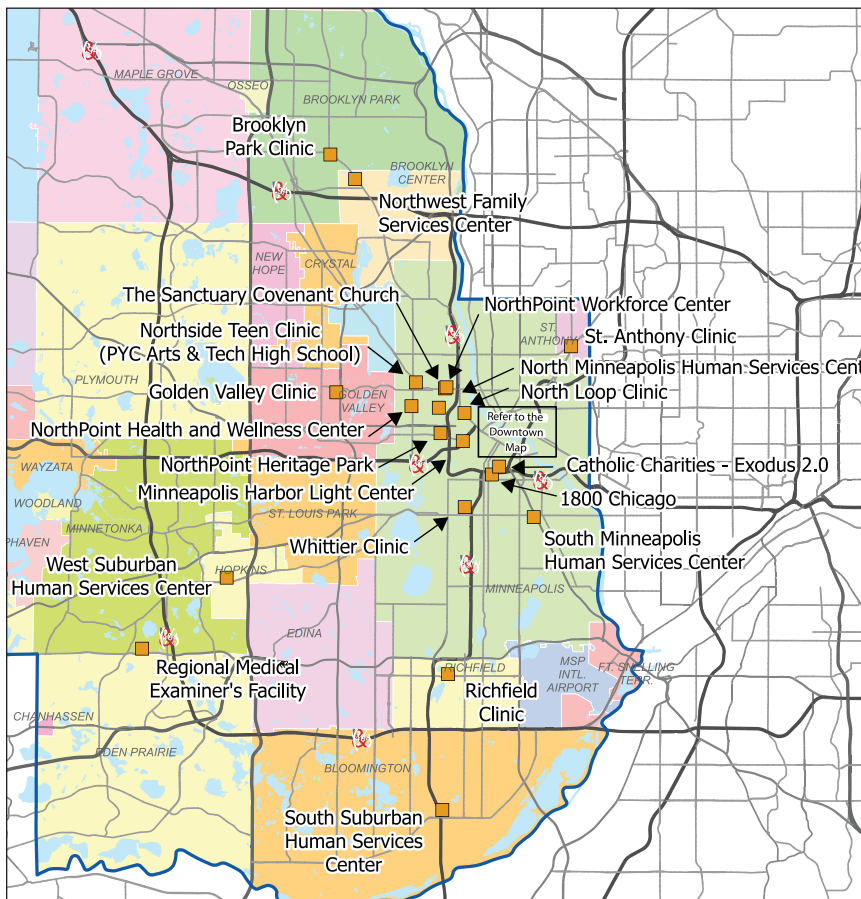
3. Because of strong financial management, Hennepin County will pay off the ballpark bonds more than 10 years early. Without action, the sales tax will turn off and property taxpayers will be responsible for maintaining and improving the ballpark and surrounding public infrastructure.

4. If the sales tax is repurposed to support Hennepin County owned infrastructure, critical health care facilities will be preserved and maintained.

About 80% of the sales tax revenues generated will go to fund Hennepin County-owned health facilities

- \$800 million over the next 20 years for county health facilities to ensure residents have access to high quality, accessible, and culturally responsive healthcare.
- \$9 million annually to the ballpark capital improvement fund. The Twins will contribute \$4.5 million annually and fund any above-and-beyond improvements to the ballpark. This will preserve and maintain Target Field in the years to come.
- The Twins extend their lease 20 years through 2059 with two additional ten-year lease extensions available.
- Funds will maintain the public infrastructure surrounding the stadium.
- Continue to fund youth activities and Hennepin County Library hours for another generation.

Hennepin County-owned Health and Human Services Facilities



Downtown Minneapolis

