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## **Suffolk breaks ground on \$20.7m Maverick Sq. ambulatory care building**

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Ground was broken for the East Boston Neighborhood Health Center (EBNHC) on its new \$20.7 million facility at 20 Maverick Sq. The 49,000 s/f ambulatory care building, is the first ARRA-funded project to break ground in the United States.

The new Maverick Sq. facility, which will be completed in just over a year, will expand primary care, vision, and dental services. Demand for these clinical services has been growing at a pace that cannot be sustained in the current location.

The new building will also provide a home for the EBNHC Education and Training Institute as well as administration offices, which currently are in leased space.

Consistent with the intent of ARRA, the \$12 million in stimulus funds for this \$20 million project will help to create over 150 construction jobs and over 50 permanent health care jobs. An additional benefit of the project will be the anchor it provides to economic development and revitalization efforts in Maverick Sq.

The building will be LEED certified and fully energy efficient. The architect for the project is isgenuity, LLC and the project manager is Suffolk Construction.

The Maverick Square building project is being funded in part with monies made available under the Facility Investment Program (FIP) supported by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and announced under HRSA-10-029. The FIP Grant in the amount of \$12 million represents 58% of the current estimated total project cost of \$20.7 million . Non-governmental funds equal \$8.7 million or 42% of the current estimated total project cost.

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