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Vision 3 Architects celebrates ribbon cutting for 18,000 s/f health center

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Vision 3 Architects joined Thundermists' acting CEO, Chuck Jones, former CEO, Maria Montanaro, and state officials, including U.S. Senator Jack Reed, Senator Sheldon Whitehouse, and Lt. Governor Elizabeth Roberts for the ribbon cutting ceremony of Thundermist Community Health Centers' newest location at 186 Providence St. This is an adaptive reuse of a 120-year-old granite mill building that is known in the community as The Cotton Shed.

Designed by Vision 3 Architects, the new health center has a unique character achieved through creative integration of a modern medical facility into a 2-story historic mill building. Working with State Historic Preservation and Heritage Commission, the design concept preserves and features many historic elements of the building including the existing clerestory windows, heavy timber construction and exposed interior stone and brick walls. The new 18,000 s/f health center greatly expands Thundermists's ability to serve their patients, including 28 exam rooms, a 75-100 person conference multi-purpose conference room, clinical, staff, and administrative space all on one level.

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