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## **YMCA of Metro North selects Maugel Architects to design new facility**

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Lynn, MA The YMCA of Metro North has selected Maugel Architects to design a new 68,000 s/f facility located at 20 Neptune Blvd. The YMCA has been an anchor in the community for over 146 years and serves 10,000 people annually with programs that strengthen the community through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. The facility provides healthy meals to over 500 children daily—85% of youth engaged are from low income families.

YMCA of Metro North, 20 Neptune Boulevard - Lynn, MA

Built in 1973, the aging facility is no longer able to meet the growing needs of the community. A new modern, light-filled facility that celebrates community and fosters social interaction will be constructed on the vacant property adjacent to the existing structure. Skylights along the main spine of the building, and the use of glass throughout the design, maximize natural light into the interiors creating a welcoming environment and an overall sense of well-being.

The new facility features a community wing that includes a wellness clinic, an instructional kitchen, and community gathering spaces. A youth wing provides a child watch area, a family adventure zone, and an early childhood education center that serves 150 children daily— a near doubling of current child care capacity. Exercise venues feature a wellness center, gymnasium, indoor track, and aquatics center.

“We are thrilled to be part of this wonderful project for the Lynn community. Having been raised on the North Shore, this project has special meaning for me,” said Mark Pelletier, senior director of architecture at Maugel Architects. “Maugel’s mission is to enrich the lives of our clients and their communities. The Lynn YMCA provides important services to the city’s youth and families; it is a privilege to work with the YMCA of Metro North to make the Lynn YMCA one of the finest in the country.”

In addition to Maugel Architects and the YMCA of Metro North, team members include Gro Development, Weston & Sampson, SGH Engineering, and Colburn & Guyette.

Celebrating 25 years of design excellence, Maugel Architects is an award-winning commercial architectural and interior design firm servicing clients in the Greater Boston area. The firm is renowned for its innovative design and repositioning of commercial properties, corporate interiors, health care facilities, life sciences labs, multifamily residences and recreational facilities.

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