

PRESS RELEASE

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**JPS Health Network Breaks Ground on New Hospital,  
Marking a Defining Moment for Healthcare in Tarrant County**

**April 16, 2026 | Fort Worth, Texas** — In a moment that will shape the future of healthcare in Tarrant County for generations, JPS Health Network today broke ground on its new hospital, a transformative investment that expands access, strengthens care delivery, and responds to the rapid growth of the community it serves.

Community leaders, partners, caregivers, and team members gathered on the JPS main campus in Fort Worth to mark the beginning of construction on the centerpiece of the JPS Master Facility Plan, a coordinated, multi-phase effort to modernize care environments, expand access, and create a more connected system of care across the region.

The new hospital will significantly expand capacity and bring advanced clinical technology into modern, integrated spaces designed to support safe, efficient, and coordinated care. As the cornerstone of a reimagined campus, it will strengthen how care is delivered across services, improve access for patients, and create an environment that supports both healing and innovation.

“For generations, this community has stood alongside JPS,” said Dr. Karen Duncan, President and CEO of JPS Health Network. “During moments of crisis, in moments when hope was needed and in moments of joy such as today. Today we take a bold step forward to ensure that we leave a meaningful and impactful legacy for generations to come.”

The project includes construction of a new inpatient hospital and expansion of the existing Pavilion, replacing aging infrastructure with modern, flexible environments that meet today’s standards and support the evolving needs of patients and care teams. Together, these investments will create a more connected, efficient campus designed to deliver complex care and improve outcomes.

This milestone builds on a series of major investments already underway across JPS Health Network. In the past year alone, JPS has opened Medical Home Southwest Tarrant and the county’s only Psychiatric Emergency Center, expanding access to both primary and behavioral health services. The recently completed Main Street Parking Garage is improving access to campus and will also support the new Health Center for Women, opening later this year.

Additional projects, including a new Medical Outpatient Building and Central Utility Plant, will further expand access, strengthen infrastructure, and support the long-term growth of the health network.

Together, these investments represent a comprehensive effort to transform how and where care is delivered, ensuring patients have access to modern, coordinated services across the continuum of care.

As Fort Worth and the surrounding communities continue to grow, this work positions JPS to meet rising demand, support its role as a leading teaching institution, and deliver high-quality care for generations to come.

### **About the JPS Master Facility Plan**

The JPS' Master Facility Plan will enhance care across Tarrant County. Recent milestones include the opening of Medical Home Southwest and the Psychiatric Emergency Center in 2025, as well as the Main Street Parking Garage in 2026, which will house the new JPS Health Center for Women, scheduled for completion in late 2026. In addition to the new main hospital, other future projects include the new Medical Office Building and a Central Utility Plant, both scheduled for completion in 2029. For more information, visit [www.JPSTogether.org](https://www.JPSTogether.org).

### **About JPS Health Network**

The Tarrant County Hospital District, known as [JPS Health Network](https://www.JPSHealthNetwork.org), is a trusted healthcare leader in Tarrant County, delivering compassionate, high-quality care to all who need it, regardless of insurance status or ability to pay. With a 582-bed hospital, more than 25 community-based clinics, and a team of over 7,200 professionals, JPS provides comprehensive services that include trauma care, behavioral health, maternal and neonatal care, primary and specialty medicine, and more. As the region's largest teaching institution and the most comprehensive provider of behavioral health services in the county, JPS stands at the intersection of access, innovation, and community trust. JPS is a three-time recipient of the Gallup Exceptional Workplace Award, a global recognition for organizations that foster extraordinary workplace engagement, innovation, and performance. Governed by an 11-member Board of Managers, JPS is committed to high-quality care, community well-being, and medical innovation.