



## **YELLOWHAWK** TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER

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### **Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center Announces Grand Opening**

MISSION, OREGON – Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center announced a grand opening ceremony, ribbon cutting and open house for its new 64,000 square foot facility, is set for August 7, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Yellowhawk, which opened its doors to patients on May 1, 2018, is located seven miles east of Pendleton, Oregon. Yellowhawk provides high-quality, primary healthcare for the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) and other eligible American Indians and Alaska Natives living in the service area, which includes Umatilla and Union Counties in Northeastern Oregon.

“We are excited to show this beautiful building to our key partners, neighbors, and all who contributed to making this project a success,” said Shawna M. Gavin, Chairwoman of the CTUIR Health Commission. “This health center has been in the works for years, and we are proud of this state of the art facility.” The new Yellowhawk is almost double in size of its previous clinic.

NBBJ of Seattle, Washington designed the new Yellowhawk and Kirby Nagelhout Construction of Bend, Oregon served as general contractors. Wenaha Group of Pendleton, Oregon managed the project.

In addition, Energy Trust of Oregon granted \$450,000 to Yellowhawk and the clinic is enrolled in their Path to Net Zero offer, which means it was designed to operate at least 40 percent more efficiently than required by current energy code. It is the first Path to Net Zero project in Eastern Oregon and Oregon’s first Tribal Path to Net Zero project.

The new Yellowhawk was designed for better patient flow and increased access to services. The departments feature colors that represent a plant of the CTUIR traditional foods and the Umatilla, Walla Walla, Cayuse language was incorporated throughout the clinic.

Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center is located at 46314 Timíne Way and is adjacent to the Nixyáawii Governance Center.

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Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center is owned and governed by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation. It provides primary healthcare and additional services to more than 3,000 American Indian/Alaska Native patients.

*Yellowhawk Vision: Our Tribal community achieves optimal health through a culture of wellness.*

*Yellowhawk Mission: It is our mission to empower our Tribal community with opportunities to learn and experience healthy lifestyles.*