

Voter-approved construction will improve health services at 3 neighborhood clinics serving more than 12,000 San Franciscans



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WHAT:

In 2020, three public primary care clinics will be under construction to improve health care services for San Francisco residents at Maxine Hall Health Center in the Western Addition, Castro-Mission Health Center in the Castro, and Southeast Health Center in Bayview-Hunters Point. The clinics are part of the [San Francisco Health Network](#), a division of the [San Francisco Department of Public Health](#). The three capital projects, totaling \$63 million, are mainly funded through the 2016 Public Health and Safety Bond, approved by 79% of San Francisco voters.

The improvements at Maxine Hall Health Center and Castro-Mission Health Center will increase the number of patient rooms, make the buildings safer in case of an earthquake, and improve accessibility for people who have disabilities. Southeast Health Center will move its primary care services to a new, larger 22,000-square-foot facility that will be built next to the existing clinic. Together, these projects will bring updated and modern health care facilities to more than 12,000 San Franciscans of all ages who are patients at the clinics.

These health centers provide families with primary care, mental health and substance use services, and are linked to Zuckerberg San Francisco General hospital when patients need specialty or hospital services. Each of the health centers is designed to meet the needs of the communities they serve, with such features as a food pharmacy (at Maxine Hall and Southeast), a Dental Clinic (at Southeast), and specialty services like podiatry at all three clinics.

To prepare for construction, Maxine Hall temporarily relocated in November 2019 to a temporary clinic at 1181 Golden Gate Ave. Construction for the Maxine Hall project kicked off in November 2019 and is expected to be complete in 2020. Castro-Mission temporarily relocated in July 2019 to 995 Potrero Ave., Building 80, on the Zuckerberg San Francisco General hospital campus. The Castro-Mission project is expected to be complete in 2021.

At Southeast during construction, the clinic will continue serving its patients in the existing building until the project is complete in 2022 and the clinic transitions to the new building. The

existing Dental Clinic and administrative operations will remain in the current building; plans to reuse the remainder of the space are being determined.

All dates and details for these projects are subject to change. Learn more about the Castro-Mission project: <http://bit.ly/CMHCremodel>; learn more about the Maxine Hall project: <http://bit.ly/MHHCremodel>. A website is in production for the Southeast project.

WHEN:

Reporters interested in this story are welcome to contact us at any time during the holidays, up to January 3, 2020. After that, we are happy to arrange coverage for specific dates and times. We will announce major project developments during construction and at completion of each project.

Maxine Hall Health Center (1301 Pierce St., San Francisco, 94115):

- Adding 7 patient rooms and new group consultation room
- Adding an elevator to expand services to the 2nd floor
- Seismic safety improvements

Castro-Mission Health Center (3850 17th St., San Francisco, 94114)

- Adding 16 patient rooms
- Seismic safety improvements
- Updating waiting room and patient registration areas

Southeast Health Center (2401 Keith St., San Francisco, 94124)

- New 22,000-square-foot, two-story building for primary care services
- New building will have 21 patient rooms
- Some space will be shared public use and large multi-purpose rooms

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