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Why are proposed Collaborative Partners interested in Canal Fulton and the surrounding areas for the community center concept?

Starting in the 1990's, multiple community organizations, community surveys and regional plans identified the need and desire to enhance existing and provide new programs and services for Canal Fulton and nearby communities.

When and how did the planning process begin for the Canal Fulton Community Campus?

The City of Canal Fulton leadership initiated the process in February 2014 to create a community center utilizing the collaborative model.

What is the Canal Fulton Community Campus vision?

The Canal Fulton Community Campus vision is to provide community services and programs to all Canal Fulton residents and surrounding areas through the collaborative model.

What is the collaborative model?

The collaborative model aligns programs, services and needs through shared resources and funding into a shared-use facility concept.

What is a shared-use facility concept?

One building designed to meet the program and service needs of multiple users.

Why is it more efficient to construct one facility with multiple uses than one building per use?

The cost to construct one facility is financially efficient, meets sustainable design standards, and provides convenient access to programs and services. This includes construction cost savings in utility infrastructure, building mechanical systems and site development.



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What nearby communities have successfully implemented the collaborative model?

Hartville – Lake Township

Wadsworth

What is the goal of the Canal Fulton Community Campus?

The Canal Fulton Community Campus goal is to increase community livability, community programs and services, and economic development for the City and surrounding areas. This goal was identified in the Canal Fulton Community Plan adopted by City Council in 2010.

Where will the Canal Fulton Community Campus be located?

The Canal Fulton Community Campus will be located on the City-owned Puffenberger property at 974 South Canal Street.

How was the site for the Canal Fulton Community Campus selected?

After the City of Canal Fulton surveys in 2006 and 2013, the City identified potential sites for a community center. In 2013, the YMCA undertook an independent Four Square survey of residents and community leaders. Through the City of Canal Fulton and YMCA surveys, the Puffenberger property was identified as the most desirable location.

Why is the Canal Fulton Community Campus a City project, and not in conjunction with Lawrence Township?

The decision was made by the City of Canal Fulton to develop City-owned property that has been vacant for a decade.

Who are the proposed Collaboration Partners for the Canal Fulton Community Campus?

City of Canal Fulton

Northwest Stark Senior Center

Summa Health System

YMCA of Central Stark County

The University of Akron

Northwest Local School District



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Is the Canal Fulton Community Campus still part of The University of Akron Strategic Plan?

Yes, community-based education is one of their strategic priorities.

What happens if a proposed Collaborative Partner withdraws from the Canal Fulton Community Campus?

Other organizations are available to participate, and the development team will be responsible for the fulfillment.

Are Canal Fulton residents eligible for discounts at the Canal Fulton Community Campus?

Yes, the YMCA will provide a reduced rate for Canal Fulton residents.

Can a membership at the Canal Fulton Community Campus YMCA be honored at other YMCAs?

Yes, all YMCA locations in Ohio have reciprocity with each other.

Are residents and businesses able to access Summa for healthcare?

Yes, Summa will be offering a variety of health insurance options and opportunities.

What will the new Northwest Stark Senior Center offer to Canal Fulton residents?

The Senior Center will have a new kitchen and multi-purpose rooms to provide programs and services including but not limited to dining, meetings, crafts, and computers.

What determined the spaces, programs and services being planned into the Canal Fulton Community Campus?

Planning of the spaces, programs and services resulted from the integrated strategic programming process with each Collaborative Partner to identify their program of requirements. The planning also incorporated the findings from the 2006 and 2013 Canal Fulton Community Surveys and the 2013 YMCA Four Square Study.



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What are tax dollars funding as part of the Canal Fulton Community Campus?

Northwest Stark Senior Center
Indoor Pool and Locker Rooms
Indoor Walking Track
Proportionate Share of Site Development

How are site improvements to the Canal Fulton Community Campus being funded?

Each proposed Collaborative Partner will fund a proportionate share through their lease term.

How is the Canal Fulton Community Campus being funded by Canal Fulton residents?

Canal Fulton residents would fund the public or City of Canal Fulton portion of the Community Campus through a proposed tax levy valued at \$5M which is a millage of 3.9. The proposed Collaborative Partners will fund \$7.8M of the project through their lease terms.

What is the cost for the Canal Fulton Community Campus to taxpayers?

The proposed levy will be a \$5M / 3.9 mill over 25 years, for a cost of \$11.38 per month on a home valued at \$100,000 per the Stark County Auditor's Office. This equates to \$17.07 per month on a home valued at \$150,000, and \$22.76 per month on a home valued at \$200,000.

What role will the Stark County Port Authority and the Stark Development Board play?

If the levy is approved by Canal Fulton voters, the Stark Development Board with the Stark County Port Authority will assemble a development agreement with the City. The agreement will require a team of professionals to manage the risk and the construction of the project on behalf of the City and proposed Collaborative Partners.



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Will the City of Canal Fulton maintain ownership of the land at the Canal Fulton Community Campus?

Yes, the City of Canal Fulton will continue to maintain ownership of the City-owned property that will house the Canal Fulton Community Campus.

Can the Canal Fulton Community Campus be expanded?

Yes, the building and site have been planned for future expansion.

When will the Canal Fulton Community Campus start?

Groundbreaking for the Canal Fulton Community Campus could begin late summer or fall of 2016.

When will the Canal Fulton Community Campus be open?

Opening of the Canal Fulton Community Campus is targeted for the end of 2017, weather dependent.

How will the Collaborative Partners manage the use of collaborative spaces in the Canal Fulton Community Campus?

A shared utilization agreement will be in place between all Collaborative Partner organizations.

What will it cost to operate the Canal Fulton Community Campus?

The operating cost of the facility will be the responsibility of each proposed Collaboration Partner organization based upon their proportionate share.

How will the Canal Fulton Community Campus be maintained and who will be responsible for the cost of maintenance and repairs?

All proposed Collaboration Partners will contribute to a maintenance fund for repairs and maintenance.

When is the community levy for the Canal Fulton Community Campus?

November 3, 2015