



*Pictured: Staff and volunteers at NorthPoint's Community Food Shelf*

## March Food & Fund Drive ends April 10!

Support our **Minnesota FoodShare/NorthPoint March Food & Fund Drive** between February 28 and April 10. Donations to our food shelf will be partially matched by Minnesota FoodShare as part of their annual March Campaign. Our goal is to collect **100,000 in pounds of food + \$50,000** and we need you to help make it a success! Now is a great time to plan a Food & Fund Drive with your neighbors, friends & co-workers. We make it easy to host your own food drive or fundraiser. Are you part of a group, school, faith community or business that would like to help? [Click here to learn more.](#)

## NorthPoint Campus Expansion Partner Profile:

### *JE Dunn Construction*

***JE Dunn Construction, in partnership with TRI-Construction, and KMS Construction are providing construction services for the third and final phase of NorthPoint's campus expansion project. Here, JE Dunn's Bill Igel, Healthcare Vice President for Minneapolis, shares his thoughts on the importance of this project to the North Minneapolis community. Photo credit: AECOM.***



**NorthPoint: The NorthPoint campus expansion will help us better meet the needs of our diverse community within North Minneapolis. What interested you in partnering on this effort?**

**Bill Igel:** JE Dunn has been working in Minneapolis for almost 80 years. We're located just this side of downtown. A large chunk of our work is with health care facilities. We are part of a national organization, but our office here is made up of all local people. As an organization, we are focused on supporting the communities we work in. Our guiding principles align with this project and include family first, do the right thing, serving others, and health and well-

being. They also align with what the vision is for NorthPoint and what they're trying to accomplish with this expansion project.

The Project Purpose statement we developed collaboratively with NorthPoint is: Together we are building pride, health equity, and a welcoming, safe community space that is dedicated to superior stewardship of the diverse population providing Health & Wellness with high standards and ethical principles. This purpose is top of mind to our team every day, driving the way we make decisions and inspiring us to accomplish this goal.

**Please share your impressions of how the completed expansion will benefit the North Minneapolis community.**

**Bill Igel:** What jumps out at me right away is that I think it will bring a lot of pride to the community. I think everyone who walks in the door is going to feel proud to have this in the community. It's going to be a very welcoming space. In addition to highlighting the pride of the North Minneapolis community, the expansion is also about health equity and making more services accessible. It's going to really put this space on par with others throughout the Twin Cities. It's going to be brighter, with safe access, and a nurturing environment. From the staff perspective, I understand 70% or more (of NorthPoint staff) are from the community, and we're giving them a better space to work in. It's going to create more jobs in the community as well. There will be a bigger dental center. I believe this is the only dental clinic within a 12-mile radius. There will be an expanded food shelf. It means better access to these kinds of services. It also creates momentum for others who want to invest in the community.

**Are there any personal and/or professional goals you have for this project?**

**Bill Igel:** I've focused my career on health care facilities for 25 years. We've worked on some of the best health care facilities in the city, and Northpoint will be among the best-in-class facilities we have worked on. Building improvements always impact staff and patients, but this project, more than any, is unique because it's now going to give accessibility to people who have never had access to a state-of-the-art facility. Personally, I want to support the community and see that people who live in North Minneapolis benefit from this building for years to come.

We're excited to get more involved in the community during the construction but we also want to stay involved as a long-term partner after the project is complete. As an example, we work with the Urban League and did a job fair in August, talking to community members about working in the trades and the good jobs that are available. Our Senior Specialist of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Kori Shingles is hosting drop points for Northpoint's Food Drive in our office and is also looking at NorthPoint's different programs for ways our employees can volunteer both now and after the construction is finished.

**What would you like the North Minneapolis community to know about JE Dunn Construction?**

**Bill Igel:** We want to enrich people's lives through the buildings we build. It's really about engaging in the communities where we live and work. We invest our time and talents and resources to figure out what we can do for the community. We're about partnership with our clients and the construction partners we work with (like Tri-Construction and KMS Construction). We're all

one team.

JE Dunn is a great place to work. We're hiring and we're growing. If someone wants to walk into our office and get to work, there are opportunities. We're committed to having a diverse workforce. There are a lot of opportunities and we're always going to be hiring.

We're not just pounding nails and pouring concrete; we want everyone involved to know the importance of this job and why we're doing this.



## Watch Making Health Happen

If you've tuned into 89.9 KMOJ on Monday evenings you may have caught our new talk show, Making Health Happen. Each episode we interview guests about health and wellness topics important to North Minneapolis and now you can watch each episode on YouTube. Make sure to [subscribe here](#) to our YouTube channel to watch new episodes! And listen on 89.9 KMOJ "THE PEOPLES STATION" Mondays at 6:00 PM.

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Health & Wellness Center

**To Protect Yourself and Others from Covid-19**  
*If you feel sick...*

**CHECK YOUR SYMPTOMS**

**START WEARING A MASK**

**GET TESTED**

**STAY HOME IF YOU TEST POSITIVE**

**GET VACCINATED**

For more information, visit [northpointhealth.org/coronavirus-updates](http://northpointhealth.org/coronavirus-updates)

**Please Note:**

Due to COVID restrictions, NorthPoint medical, dental and behavioral health services are by appointment only. Call 612-543-2500 to get scheduled.

Masks are still required in all NorthPoint facilities, no matter your vaccination status.

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