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### **Legacy Community Health Breaks Ground on New Pasadena Southmore Clinic as Part of a \$50 million Gift from Houston Methodist**

*Facility to provide critical health care to serve, reflect and celebrate the Pasadena community*

HOUSTON – (May 10, 2024) – Legacy Community Health (Legacy) commemorated its long-anticipated Legacy Pasadena Southmore Clinic on May 10, 2024 with Legacy and Houston Methodist leadership, board members, government officials and community supporters in attendance. Located at 1951 Southmore Avenue in Pasadena, Legacy’s newest clinic will provide critical health care services designed to meet the unique needs of the Pasadena community. Legacy Pasadena Southmore is one of two clinic locations funded by a \$50 million gift from Houston Methodist.

“For more than 30 years, Houston Methodist has served some of the most vulnerable across the Greater Houston area,” said Cathy Easter, Houston Methodist President & CEO, Global Health Care Services. “We are proud of this expanded partnership with Legacy Community Health in Pasadena and know the community will benefit from the much-needed quality resources available at this new clinic.”

The Legacy Pasadena Southmore Clinic will fill a significant gap for residents in the area, offering access to affordable health care services. These include a full range of adult and pediatric primary care, obstetrical services, behavioral health, dental services, pharmacy and wraparound support services. Designed by Kirksey Architects, the new two-story clinic will be 40,000-square-foot and will be equipped with state-of-the-art technology.

“We at Legacy are extremely proud of the spirit of partnership and collaboration that we have developed with Houston Methodist,” said Dr. Robert Hilliard, Jr., CEO of Legacy Community Health. “We thank Houston Methodist and the entire team, who share our commitment for increasing access to health care services in our communities.”



The Legacy Pasadena Southmore Clinic is expected to open in 2025. As part of its collaboration with Houston Methodist, Legacy is developing a second clinic in the North Acres Homes area of Houston.

Legacy's long-standing relationship with Houston Methodist started in 1998. The hospital system has supported Legacy through such landmark programs as the Youth Re-entry Program, the Community Scholars Program, the Community Network of Care Program and Legacy Baytown's Family Medicine Residency Program.

The largest Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) in the state of Texas, Legacy Community Health has over 57 clinic locations. Legacy currently serves more than 200,000 community members.

#### **About Legacy Community Health Services, Inc.**

Legacy Community Health Services (Legacy) is a full-service network offering primary and specialty care and pharmacy services in the Texas Gulf Coast region. Legacy has been innovating how comprehensive, quality health care services are provided to underserved communities for over 40 years. As the largest Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) in Texas, our services and programs are open to all, regardless of the ability to pay, without judgment or exception. Legacy has been a United Way affiliated agency since 1990. To learn more, visit [www.legacycommunityhealth.org](http://www.legacycommunityhealth.org).

#### **About Houston Methodist**

Houston Methodist is one of the nation's leading health systems and academic medical centers. The health system consists of eight hospitals: Houston Methodist Hospital, its flagship academic hospital in the Texas Medical Center, six community hospitals and one long-term acute care hospital throughout the Greater Houston metropolitan area. Houston Methodist also includes a research institute; a comprehensive residency program; international patient services; freestanding comprehensive care, emergency care and imaging centers; and outpatient facilities. Houston Methodist employs more than 32,000 people and had more than 2.1 million outpatient visits and more than 141,000 admissions in 2022. For more information on Houston Methodist, see [houstonmethodist.org](http://houstonmethodist.org).

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