



NORTH DAKOTA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS

Healthy People, Healthy Economy

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS MISSION

The mission of community health centers is to provide high-quality, affordable, comprehensive primary and preventive health care to all North Dakotans, regardless of their insurance status or ability to pay. Access to health care in North Dakota's urban and rural communities is essential to the growth and viability of those communities, making them great places to live, work, learn, and play.

ECONOMIC VIABILITY

In addition to the actual dollars that flow to local communities through health centers, their role in maintaining access to health care can have an enormous impact on the long-term economic viability of rural and urban communities throughout North Dakota. For our smaller communities, access to local health care is crucial to a town's ability to recruit new companies and maintain a healthy workforce without long out-of-town trips to the doctors or to pick up prescriptions. When a small town is able to retain access to health care, it can serve as a main street anchor, keeping other small businesses viable. Across rural and urban communities, CHCs keep health care affordable by providing health care services regardless of ability to pay and by helping patients find health coverage options that are right for them.

STATEWIDE IMPACT

North Dakota community health centers (CHCs) had a total annual economic impact on the state of

\$71,925,938 IN 2020



RURAL AND URBAN IMPACT



North Dakota rural CHCs
had a total impact of
\$30,926,170



North Dakota urban CHCs
had a total impact of
\$37,023,289

NORTH DAKOTA CHCs DIRECTLY GENERATED:



full-time jobs

AND SUPPORTED
AN ADDITIONAL



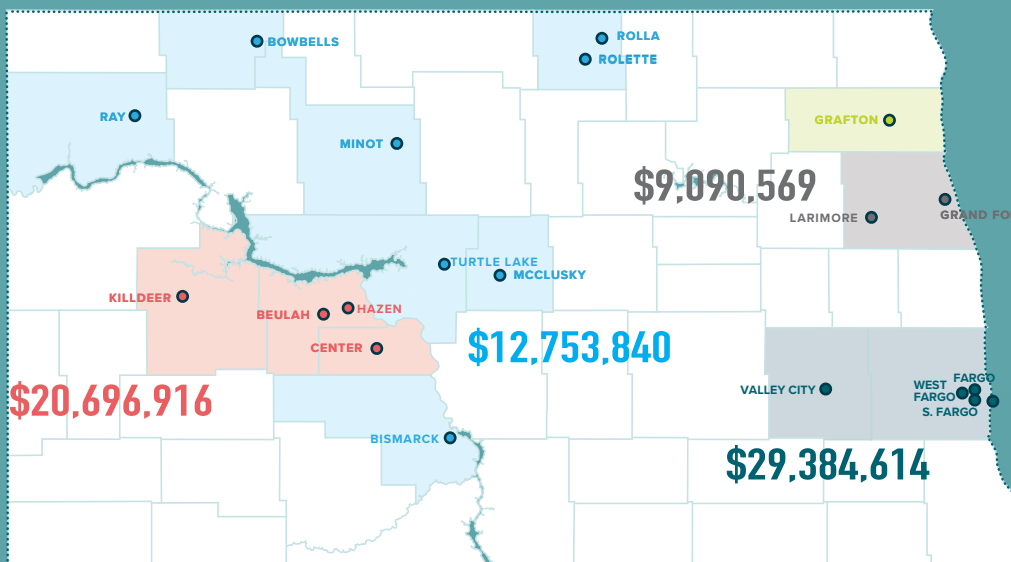
jobs in other business



total jobs

When patients receive high quality preventive and primary care, it can actually reduce their overall health care costs by preventing high cost services such as emergency room visits or avoidable hospital stays. A recent study found that, on average, the total cost of care was **24% LOWER** for patients receiving care at a community health center. Improved health and reduced costs – that sounds like a win-win for individuals who would rather spend their time and money investing in their families and communities than seeing the doctor!

ECONOMIC IMPACT PER NORTH DAKOTA CHCs



KEY

LOCATIONS

○ CLINIC

NORTH DAKOTA ORGANIZATIONS

- Family HealthCare \$29,384,614
- Northland Health Centers \$12,753,840
- Spectra Health \$9,090,569
- Coal Country Community Health Center \$20,696,916
- Community Health Service, Inc.

CHCs in North Dakota provide comprehensive, high-quality health care including primary care, behavioral health, dental care, and school-based care.

In 2020, five North Dakota community health centers provided high-quality, cost-effective and integrated care to



32,613
INDIVIDUALS

AT **21**
DELIVERY SITES



SOURCES

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IN **19**
COMMUNITIES

