

PROJECT BRIEF



Project Name: Bethel College Wellness Center Renovations

Grant Program: PIC

Project Date: July 2022 - December 2025

Project Summary

The Bethel College Wellness Center Renovations project modernized and expanded key wellness, fitness, and student-support spaces to better meet post-pandemic health, safety, and accessibility needs. The improvements enhanced the College's capacity to deliver integrated wellness programming, support student well-being, and provide a more functional, welcoming environment for the campus and broader community.

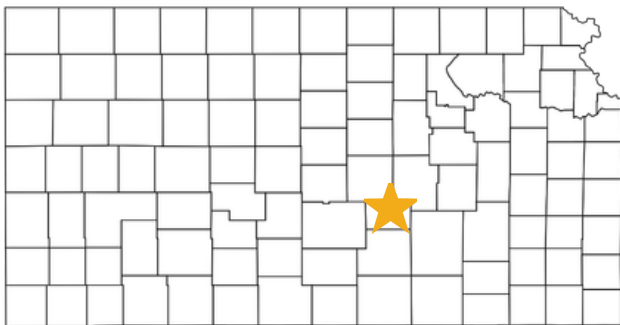
Goals and Objectives

Goal: Modernize and enhance the Wellness Center to better support student health, safety, and well-being.

Objective: Upgrade fitness and wellness spaces, improving accessibility and functionality, and strengthening the College's capacity to deliver integrated wellness programming and student-support services.

Location

North Newton, Kansas



Budget Overview

- **Grant Amount:** \$472,362.79
- **Match Amount:** \$1,417,088.41
- **Total Budget:** \$1,889,451.20

Expense Categories:

- **Labor & Materials:** \$1,331,769.10
- **Architectural Design:** \$557,682.10

Grantee Information

Bethel College is a private, four-year liberal arts institution located in North Newton, Kansas, known for its strong academic programs, commitment to service, and Anabaptist-Mennonite heritage. The College fosters a close-knit, intellectually engaged community and offers a range of undergraduate programs designed to develop critical thinking, leadership, and meaningful civic engagement.

Target Population

The target population for the project consisted primarily of Bethel College students who rely on campus wellness, fitness, and health-support services to maintain their physical and mental well-being. It also included faculty, staff, and community members who access the Wellness Center for programming, recreation, and health-related activities.

Sustainability

The project's sustainability includes community enrollment fees that will provide baseline support for maintaining the building and developing program. Additional program enrollment by North Newton and Newton community members will support operations. Additional space allows for more summer camps generating usage by young students. Facility rentals for family or business groups will also generate revenue. Raising funds for the endowed maintenance fund will also support continued operations.

Activities and Timeline

Q4 2022: Architecture and planning phase progressing.

Q3 2024: Broke ground for the Wellness Center expansion.

Q3 2025: Wellness Center renovations completed with opening reception on October 1, 2025, and a public dedication on October 3, 2025.

Outcomes

- The completion of the Wellness Center included a gym with basketball, volleyball and pickleball courts; a cardio room; a weight room; and an indoor walking track.
- The Wellness Center is providing students and the broader community a place to develop and improve their physical and mental well-being.

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