

Ability KC Closes on New Downtown Campus, Marking A Transformational Milestone for Rehabilitation, Innovation, and Community Impact

Kansas City, MO — June 9, 2026 – Ability KC, a leading nonprofit center of excellence in outpatient medical rehabilitation dedicated to building brighter futures for individuals with complex medical conditions, announced it has closed on its future facility at **715 Kirk Drive in downtown Kansas City (formerly the HNTB building)**. The vision for the new campus was realized through the creative problem-solving, shared expertise, and collective commitment of key business, community, and foundation partners—including **VanTrust and the Van Tuyl Family, The Sunderland Foundation, Columbia Capital Management, LLC, UMB, CBRE, Travis and Amy Mattox, Peter Gattermeir, Stinson, Hilltop Securities, and Gilmore Bell**—who aligned purpose and capital to drive lasting impact across the Kansas City region.

The community-driven campus project marks a major milestone in Ability KC's mission to serve more individuals and families living with critical illness, injury and disabilities across the region, bringing together leading therapies, care, education, innovation, and research.

“This is a once-in-a-career transaction that blends the sheer willpower of the team at a nonprofit advocating tirelessly on behalf of the families they serve, with the incredible vision of Kansas City's philanthropic community, and the unique power of the tax-exempt bond market. We are so honored to be a small part of Ability KC's very bright future,” said Jeff White, Managing Member, Columbia Capital Management, LLC.

The new campus project creates a tremendous opportunity to expand care, education, research, accelerate innovation, and improve outcomes for those who rely on Ability KC's specialized services.

“A critical component of the health and welfare of our community is covered by Ability KC,” said Dave Harrison, president and founder of VanTrust Real Estate, LLC. “One in three individuals will need the kind of services that Ability KC provides. What Ability KC is looking to do with its growth and outreach can't be done on its own and we are pleased to partner with them on this initiative. To make this community the best it can be, we have a moral responsibility to help make sure this happens for Ability KC.”

A Community Need That Continues to Grow

The need for comprehensive outpatient medical rehabilitation has never been greater. Ability KC's demand continues to rise each year due to advances in medical treatments and survivorship, increased prevalence of complex and rare conditions and limited regional resources for high-acuity rehabilitation. With this new campus, the Kansas City community can be confident that world-class rehabilitation care will continue to be accessible locally—when it matters most.

A Game-Changer for Kansas City Healthcare, Education & Innovation

The new integrated campus will unite medical care and therapy, education, research, and industry collaboration in one centralized location, creating a hub for innovation and further advancing rehabilitation outcomes.

Key benefits include:

- **20–30% increase in capacity**, expanding access to more individuals and families
- **15% projected operational efficiency gains** through consolidation of services
- Enhanced partnerships with researchers, clinicians, and product developers
- Expanded access to cutting-edge therapies, education and technology

There is no other organization like Ability KC in the region. As an independent nonprofit, its unique, integrated model of comprehensive, specialized outpatient rehabilitation services and care reduces rehospitalizations, improves clinical outcomes, and helps individuals return to school, work, and daily life more quickly and successfully.

“Ability KC’s foundation and legacy was built on its ability to continually innovate to meet and support the needs of those we serve,” said Amy Castillo, Executive Director and CEO of Ability KC. “This next exciting step in our mission is a testament to our founders and the multitude of individuals who have been a part of this journey in our community through the years. We wouldn’t be where we are today without our partners and supporters. We are deeply grateful for their vision and commitment to building brighter futures in our community.”

Looking Ahead

The new campus represents more than a physical move—it signals a bold step forward in redefining rehabilitation, education and innovative ways to drive outcomes in Kansas City and beyond.

With expanded space, modern resources, and a collaborative environment, Ability KC will continue to lead innovation, improve quality of life, and ensure individuals of all ages facing disabilities have access to the care and support they need to thrive. As Ability KC moves forward, **additional philanthropic and community support will be critical** to fully develop the campus and maximize its impact. To get involved, visit www.abilitykc.org.

About Ability KC

For over 75 years, Ability KC has been building brighter futures for children and adults with complex illnesses, injuries, and disabilities through comprehensive medical, educational, and vocational services. Serving thousands of individuals and families across Missouri and Kansas, Ability KC is a nationally recognized leader in outpatient rehabilitation and value-based care.

Accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), and designated as a Comprehensive Outpatient Rehabilitation Facility (CORF) by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Ability KC helps individuals integrate into homes, schools, workplaces, and communities—improving both quality of life and long-term outcomes. Learn more at <https://abilitykc.org>.

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