

EXPECTED OUTCOMES AND IMPACT

Through the input of constituents throughout the district, Illinois Central College recently completed its strategic plan, the *Blueprint for the Future*. The *Blueprint* highlights eight priorities which will ensure a bright educational future for Central Illinois. The acquisition of the former Zeller Mental Health Facility, located at 5407 N. University will add 211,000 square feet to ICC's campuses and provide the space necessary to implement a number of these priorities. These include:

Provide high quality programs and services.

The ICC North location will allow ICC to expand vocational and technical training to high schools in the Peoria area. Additionally, the site will support the development of programs such as culinary arts, human services, automotive repair, liberal arts, and other occupational courses.

Develop a responsive educational delivery.

The geographic location of the ICC North educational facilities provides greater accessibility to a larger number of citizens. A high population density resides in the ICC North Campus area. A presence in the City of Peoria enhances accessibility for those who depend on bus service for transportation and senior citizens who might not access the College's larger East Peoria or downtown Peoria campuses. This site will require the development of typical student services including support services, fitness center, food services, cultural events, day care and library to fully meet the population's needs.

Collaborate with K-12 schools to enhance quality education.

The location of ICC North within the Peoria city limits can allow Peoria area high school students to have greater access to ICC's programs and services. This campus will serve as a magnet for occupational and technical programs for Peoria high schools and surrounding high schools.

Play a more aggressive role in economic and workforce development.

During our comprehensive planning process, the citizens of the community asked that ICC play a greater role in economic and workforce development. These facilities will allow the College to partner with business and industry to expand workforce-training programs and to provide students with the opportunity to work closely with business and industry as part of their educational program. For example, the College has moved its Real Estate Program to the ICC North site to be closer to the realtor's main offices.

Reach out to attract and retain a diverse student body and employee group and play a leadership role in community diversification initiatives.

The focus of the minority population (31%) served by Illinois Central College is in Peoria. The Peoria location, on a main transportation artery, will provide greater convenience and access to minority populations in the city.

Collaborate with universities to promote efficient and effective transfer of student through the education system.

No state supported four-year college or university currently exists in the Illinois Central College district (2,300 square miles). Illinois Central College plans to work with other four-year universities to increase the options for students who want to complete their baccalaureate degree. The possibility of establishing a University Center is being pursued. The College already has an extension office of the University of Illinois Springfield on its campus. This office is considering moving to ICC North.

SPACE UTILIZATION

The college plans to open buildings C, B4, D, and portions of A during the fiscal year 2003 in order to operate a square footage of 65,000. The ICC North campus provides an additional 211,636 square footage to the College at ICC North. During fall 2003, the buildings were named after trees as indicated below. See the following chart for a detailed listing of space.

Building	Gross Square Footage	Academic 2003	Tenant 2003
A-North Arbor Hall	6,988		
A-Center Arbor Hall	43,499	15,000	8,541
A-South Arbor Hall	7,236		
B-1 Hickory Hall	18,296		
B-2 Poplar Hall	18,296		
B-3 Maple Hall	18,296		
B-4 Birch Hall	19,110	10,000	1,995
C Cedar Hall	34,409	20,000	12,308
D Dogwood Hall	41,368	20,000	
E Elm Hall	4,138		
Total	211,636	65,000	22,844

The table that follows outlines the projections made at the time of the initial occupancy. The occupancy of the building will be phased in accordance with enrollment growth and availability of funding for capital improvements.

Five-Year Projection for Space		
	College Use (GSF)	Tenant/Partner Use (GSF)
2002-03	69,059	41,197
2003-04	38,140	17,500
2004-05	--	10,000
2005-06	18,296	--
2006-07	27,444	--
Total	152,939	68,697

Projected Full-Capacity Facility Usage		
ICC & Related Programs	152,939	69%
Non-Profit Organizations	30,739	14%
State Agencies (including U of I)	26,337	12%
Other	11,621	5%
Total	221,636	

As required by our lease, we will sublease space to two State entities: Illinois Guardianship and Advocacy Commission and the North Central Network of the Department of Human Services. In addition, leases will be established with agencies and organizations currently located on the property. These include: Mental Health Association of Illinois Valley, University of Illinois College of Medicine, National Foundation of Dentistry for the Handicapped, and Tri-County National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI). In addition, Illinois Central College may enter into other sublease arrangements with other entities that will help it accomplish its mission.

College for Kids, Weekend College, and Winter Minimesters will each be expanded by utilizing ICC North. A community Computer Lab for the public will open in October 2003. Child Care Connection, a grant funded program offered through the College, will locate at ICC North in fiscal year 2004 (July) redirecting the \$80,000 lease to the College. The 10,000 square feet needed will be located in Hickory Hall. The University of Illinois College of Medicine and Mental Health Association of Illinois Valley currently occupy 16,000 square feet of Cedar Hall.

COMMISSION POLICY

The Higher Learning Commission policy which is relevant to this request is I.C.2.c.:

Commission approval is required to extend accreditation to include an instructional site at which the institution provides a degree

program(s); an off-campus site at which the institution offers 50% or more of the courses leading to one of its degree programs and at which the institution enroll 100 or more students (unduplicated headcount) in an academic year.