

# ON LOCATION

Munson Healthcare - Manistee Medical Office Building

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SECOND FLOOR LOBBY

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



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Final finishes for the new Medical Office Building have continued to take shape with final coats of paint being applied to walls, floors beginning, and millwork being installed over the past month. Always an exciting time for both ownership and the crews onsite to see the “interior look” of the building in its final form. With the roof coping being installed and metal panel starting to hide the remaining lime green sub-panel of the new building, the exterior has also begun receiving the final touches.

Sitework is in its final phases! Just in time for the fall and winter season, this will bring an end to the campus improvement portion of the project. I am confident in saying both patients and staff are more excited than anyone else to have the disruptions to campus traffic flow and parking come an end. The new main entrance and associated landscaping will finally tie everything together and offer great connectivity and visual interest to the campus.

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## FUN FACT

Many materials have gone into creating the exterior of the MOB. Steel, concrete, mortar, clay brick, metal panel and glazing as well as several more make up the facade. However, I can assure you that this is a bit more conventional than that of some materials used to construction of several homes in Japan. Japanese farmers, after removing the hulls from their rice crop and sorting out the white kernels, take the hulls from the leftover rice, mix them into a kind of paste, mold the substance into brick-shaped blocks, and build houses with them. Such buildings are known in Japan as “houses of rice skin”



## LOOKING AHEAD

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Following the completion of the new main entrance, all that will remain for sitework around the campus is the final layer of asphalt in the employee parking lot, a small transition area near the helipad and the emergency department, and final landscaping around the new MOB. Inside of the building, finishes are still moving full speed ahead with flooring installation, final painting, in-wall electrical devices, and both glass and wooden doors. Soon, many areas of the building will be made ready for owner provided furniture and equipment as the move-in date draws closer. Outside, the finished metal panels continue to be installed as the final step in the building envelope and caulking provides the finished look and weathertight seal.



SECOND FLOOR BREAK ROOM

An estimated 2.3 million construction workers, or 65% of the construction industry, work on scaffolds. Protecting workers from scaffold-related accidents may prevent some of the 10,000 injuries and 88 deaths every year. Faulty design and inadequate construction are sometimes involved; but in most cases, scaffold accidents are caused by careless maintenance and improper use. On our site, we ensure scaffolding safety by:

- Performing daily inspections prior to use
- Boarding, fencing and fastening all platforms
- Avoiding a stockpile of materials or overloading them
- Forbidding the use during storms or high winds
- Clearing the area surrounding the scaffolding

## TEAM SPOTLIGHT

### Who's Who On Site



Landscape Design Services has been on site several times over the past few months as each phase of the sitework was completed. Because of the nature of this project, their schedule has had to be flexible to work on areas around the existing MOB, the new building, and the parking lots as they became available. Now that the site project is nearing completion, LDS will finally have a large canvas to work with for their plantings and landscaping.



VIEW FROM THE NE CORNER OF THE PROJECT SITE

## TRACK THE PROJECT'S PROGRESS AS THE VIEW TAKES SHAPE!

