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Spratt Wins Funds for Sandhills Medical Foundation

WASHINGTON – U.S. Rep. John Spratt (D-SC) has secured \$600,000 in federal funding for Sandhills Medical Foundation to build a new community health center in McBee. The funds were included in a spending bill Congress passed Thursday night.

“A new facility is urgently needed,” said Spratt. “The current McBee medical facility is located in a fifty-year-old television repair shop, and has been there since 1977.”

Spratt said the \$600,000 appropriation would help fund a new medical building at the McBee site and a small wellness center for general community health support. The medical building would update the kind and quality of medical care the citizens of this community receive. The wellness center would support those in the community who are healthy and would assist those that are chronically ill with diabetes, HIV, hypertension, and depression. South Carolina is among the leading states in the number of people who suffer from strokes, heart disease, diabetes, and HIV.

“ I am delighted Congress has chosen to fund this worthy project, and pleased to lend a hand,” said Spratt. “A new medical facility and wellness center in McBee will go a long way to helping a community in need of medical care and proper health education. This should be a big step forward for Sandhills Medical. It will not fund the entire cost of this facility, but it will leverage local funding and bring this project closer than ever to reality.”

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