



Economic Impact

A strong healthcare system helps attract and maintain local business and industrial growth. It also attracts and retains retirees. First Care Health Center (FCHC) creates jobs and contributes to the economy throughout Walsh County. Our employees support the area businesses, and our presence brings in dollars to the local economy.

FCHC is a nonprofit, community-based, 14-bed Critical Access Hospital and rural health clinic located in Park River, North Dakota. Founded by the Presentation Sisters in 1950, FCHC's mission is to continue the healing mission of Jesus in a rural setting. FCHC is committed to respecting each person in a caring christian environment to promote healthy communities with professional excellence, personal service, and an innovative spirit.

FCHC contributes to the health and wellness of local residents as well as the overall economic strength of Walsh County. The hospital and clinic employ local residents who spend money in Walsh County, which in turn generates a secondary economic impact. Increases or decreases in FCHC's size affect the medical and economic health of Walsh County. For about every 2.5 jobs at FCHC, another job is created in businesses in Walsh County. The construction project at FCHC also contributed to the local economy through job creation and providing income to those employees.

FCHC Provides Jobs	
FCHC employees (hospital and clinic)	111
Secondary employment created in Walsh County from FCHC	46
Total employment impacts from FCHC	157
Direct employment created by FCHC construction project	7.5
Secondary employment created by FCHC construction	2.6
Total employment created by FCHC renovation project	10.1
Total overall employment impacts created by FCHC	167.1
FCHC Provides Income	
Total direct labor income to FCHC employees	\$6.1 million
Secondary labor income impacts to the business sector from FCHC	\$1.6 million
Direct income from construction project	\$419,000
Secondary labor income impacts from construction	\$113,000
Total direct and secondary labor income to construction employees	\$532,000