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RCSA Center – Dining Hall, Greenhouse Garden Project & Office Space Progress

DURANT, Oklahoma – Construction progress at The Ron Cross Senior Activity Center in Durant means a variety of healthy activities are coming soon to the community!

In the Dining Hall, crews have installed beautiful new beams and added woodwork to the ceiling. New electrical wiring is also in progress to prep for canned lights.

Outside the Community Kitchen doors, plans for a Greenhouse Garden are being developed. The project will feature raised garden beds. Ergonomic, senior-friendly gardening equipment will be available so green thumbs with an interest can work the soil! The Greenhouse Garden Project is a joint effort between the City of Durant, Blue Zones, the Oklahoma Department of Health, as well as the Rotary, Kiwanis, Lion's and Master Gardeners Clubs.

Renovations are also underway to create four new office spaces for our community partners! Staff from [Oklahoma's Healthy Aging Initiative \(OHA\)](#) and representatives from [Bryan County's Retired & Senior Volunteer Program \(RSVP\)](#) will work onsite occupying two offices each.

The RCSA Center will also offer exercise classes, outdoor activities and the Commercial Kitchen will prepare food for Meals on Wheels and an onsite congregate meal. Nearly four thousand residents are over age 60 in Durant. That's about twenty percent of the City's current population.

The Ron Cross Senior Activity Center is located at 1421 Chuckwa Drive, formerly the Northwest Church of Christ. The Grand opening is on track for this Fall.

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Additional Information: The RCSA Center will have four large rentable spaces including the Sanctuary, Dining Hall, Residential Kitchen and Conference Room. The venue will be available to book and host parties, weddings and even business meetings in advance of the Grand Opening. More details to follow as construction progresses.

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