Lakewood Welcome Center – Fact Sheet & Credits

Year completed: 2024  
Square footage: 25,000  
Project acreage: 5

Design Team  
Miller Dunwiddie Architecture  
Snow Kreilich Architects  
TEN x TEN Landscape Architecture

Construction Manager  
JE Dunn

Owner's representative  
NTH Inc.

Consultants  
Sustainability Consultant: Cause Sustainability  
Structural engineer: Meyer Borgman Johnson  
Mechanical engineer: Emanuelson-Podas, Inc.  
Electrical engineer: Emanuelson-Podas, Inc.  
Civil engineer: Pierce Pini and Associates  
Lighting designer: Schuler Shook

Building Rooms and Interior Features:  
• Welcome desk and lobby with fireplace  
• Community room and gallery space for educational events and programs  
• Family Services lounge and five meeting rooms  
• Garage space for Family Services vehicles

Building Exterior Features and Materials:  
• Limestone cladding  
• Thermally modified wood cladding  
• Cast stone colonnade

Landscaping, Gardens and Exterior Features:  
• Three distinct garden experiences:  
  o Tamarack Garden: Inspired by northern MN tamarack bogs; supports stormwater management  
  o Legacy Fountain water feature: 150 feet in circumference to honor Lakewood’s recent 150th anniversary  
  o Family Services Garden: A private outdoor space with a water feature for meeting with families  
• Accessible walking paths and outdoor seating (open to public)  
• Number of plants added – 113 new trees, 2,400 new shrubs, and 8,500 new perennials, including these native and pollinator-friendly plants:  
  o Heritage® Oak (Quercus x macdanielli ‘Clemons’)


Eastern Larch (Tamarack) (Larix laricina)
Black Hills Spruce (Picea glauca var. densata)
Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry (Amelanchier x grandiflora 'Autumn Brilliance')
Shawnee Brave Bald Cypress (Taxodium distichum 'Mickelson')
Scotch Pine (Scots pine) (Pinus sylvestris)
Norway Pine (Red Pine) (Pinus resinosa)

Sustainable Aspects:
• Net-zero energy ready
• A rooftop solar array
• A geothermal mechanical system
• A high-performance building envelope to maintain building temperature and reduce the need for excessive heating and cooling
• Sustainably sourced building materials
• Landscaping materials that require less watering and mowing
• Minimized construction waste