

Baptist Health Building New Braunfels Hospital

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Baptist Health System President and CEO Graham Reeve

The [Baptist Health System](#) has purchased a 56-acre parcel in New Braunfels where it plans to build a full-service hospital. The San Antonio-based health care system will spend between \$85 million and \$115 million constructing the facility on the northeast corner of I-35 and Loop 306.

“The tremendous growth in Comal, Guadalupe and Hays counties has meant an increase in demand for medical services,” Baptist Health System President and CEO Graham Reeve said. “With its location near two major roadways, the new hospital will provide greater access for area residents to a full range of medical services, specialist physicians and top-flight programs like the Baptist Brain & Stroke Network.” The new hospital would provide comprehensive acute-care, medical and emergency care, as well as cardiovascular and neonatology services. The group did not say how many beds the new hospital will have, but it is slated for completion in 2012. Greater New Braunfels Chamber of Commerce President Michael Meek said the development of a new hospital is essential for developing business in the area.

“Proximity to high-quality hospital services is often a top site-selection factor for expanding and relocating businesses,” he said. “Our community has identified additional medical services as a major goal and this decision will bring additional economic impact to the area and services nearer to our residents.”

Baptist Health System is owned by Nashville-based [Vanguard Health Systems](#). It is affiliated with the [Baptist General Convention of Texas](#) and operates five faith-based, acute-care hospitals in the San Antonio market.

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