Alderman Milele A. Coggs celebrates a Medical College of Wisconsin/Greater Milwaukee Foundation investment on North Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive

The former Schuster’s Department Store at 2153 N. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. will be redeveloped to house a new Medical College of Wisconsin (MCW) program in partnership with the Greater Milwaukee Foundation (GMF). In addition, the GMF will move its headquarters to the renovated King Dr. building.

The redevelopment will be home to a joint initiative program which the Medical College and GMF will operate. The initiative will work with central city residents to identify and improve social determinants of health to help ensure a healthy, thriving community for all. MCW plans to relocate other existing programs to the King Dr. site to provide community engagement and support research.

“I am thrilled that the Medical College and Greater Milwaukee Foundation chose this location to redevelop and to implement their important programs,” said Ald. Coggs. “This partnership will go beyond just building another health clinic to digging deeper into what influences our daily lives and how these influences affect our health. I look forward to working with MCW and the GMF to engage with our residents to work on a definitive, comprehensive plan of action.”

MCW and GMF will use about 150,000 square feet of the building; plans for the remaining 320,000 square feet have not been finalized, according to the developer Royal Capital Group.