

# LAKES REGION FAMILY CENTER

## LACONIA, NEW HAMPSHIRE

**SFC Engineering Partnership, Inc., (SFC)** was retained by the Community Action Program (CAP) of Belknap and Merrimack Counties to assist them in the design and permitting process for the development of a new Lakes Region Family Center. The center was needed in order to consolidate four existing facilities that were scattered across the Lakes Region. The project was broken down into the following phases: survey, conceptual design, final design, permitting and owner representation during construction. During the conceptual stage of the project, **SFC** held meetings with CAP representatives to ensure that the site was designed to meet their needs and the needs of their users. During this stage of the project, **SFC** also regularly met with representatives from the City of Laconia and the NHDOT to ensure design concerns were being met. Site characteristics such as steep slopes and wetlands, restricted access and location of the off-site utilities such as water, sewer and gas made this a challenging project. Steep slopes had to be overcome to provide for safe parking as well as to provide handicap accessibility around and into the building. Location of the off-site utilities required directional borings be used to provide water and natural gas to the site. While the **SFC** Civil Design Team worked to address the civil concerns, the **SFC** Structural Team worked with the project architect to develop design and construction plans for the 2-story steel frame building.

**OWNER**  
Lakes Region Family Center

**CONTACT**  
Community Action Program

- SCOPE OF SERVICES**
- Civil Engineering
  - Structural Engineering
    - Survey
  - Conceptual & Final Design Plans
    - Permitting
  - Construction Oversight
  - Owner Representation

## REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

