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**DRAHOTA BREAKS GROUND ON COLUMBINE COMMONS**

Fort Collins, CO (November 6, 2012) – Drahota, a Colorado-based general contractor, announces that it has broken ground on the \$11 million Columbine Commons project at the corner of Main Street and 15<sup>th</sup> Street in Windsor, CO, just west of Windsor Medical Center.

The 62,400-square-foot healthcare development by Columbine Health Systems includes a 30-bed, one-story skilled nursing wing combined with a 60-room, two-story assisted living wing. The project is being designed by Vaught Frye Larson Architects and is expected to be completed December 2013. This is the ninth project Drahota has completed for Columbine Health Systems.

“We look forward to working together again with Columbine Health Systems to bring a top-notch facility to Northern Colorado,” says Terry Drahota, president and CEO, Drahota.

Bob Wilson, owner and CEO of Columbine Health Systems broke ground on the new project with a shovel from 1942. The shovel was used by his uncle, Newt Wilson, to break ground for Sky Chefs, the first catering service to the airlines. The shovel was also used to break ground for The Winslow, independent living in Fort Collins.

“I purchased the property about 10 years ago anticipating serving the residents of Windsor and Weld County. I am glad that we are finally building Columbine Commons and bringing another needed facility to the area,” says Bob Wilson, owner and CEO, Columbine Health Systems.

Guaranty Bank and Trust is providing the construction and term financing for the project. “Guaranty Bank is pleased to be a part of this exciting and much needed senior care facility in our community. It is an honor to work with Columbine Health Systems and Drahota, two companies that have a long history of excellence in their respective industries,” says Richard Pearson, regional president for Guaranty Bank and Trust.

### **About Drahota**

Drahota is a Fort Collins-based general contractor and construction management company serving the Front Range and Rocky Mountain region. With nearly 40 years in business, Drahota is a leading general contractor in Colorado with expertise in multifamily, medical, industrial, resort, retail and commercial projects. For more information, please visit [www. Drahota.com](http://www.Drahota.com).

### **About Columbine Health Systems**

Columbine Health Systems is locally owned network of services that includes skilled nursing facilities, independent and assisted living options, rehabilitation and therapy services, home care, pharmacy, and medical equipment and supplies. Columbine has served the community since 1971. With two campuses in Fort Collins and one in Loveland, Columbine provides senior clients and their families a chance to create a living environment that caters specifically to needs and provides a chance to continue living an integrated life. Columbine's staff works at being tuned into the changing needs of the senior population by listening to clients/residents and their families, and by interacting frequently with other community organizations. For more information, visit [www. columbinehealth.com](http://www.columbinehealth.com).

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