

Hart-Dole-Inouye Federal Center



Identification

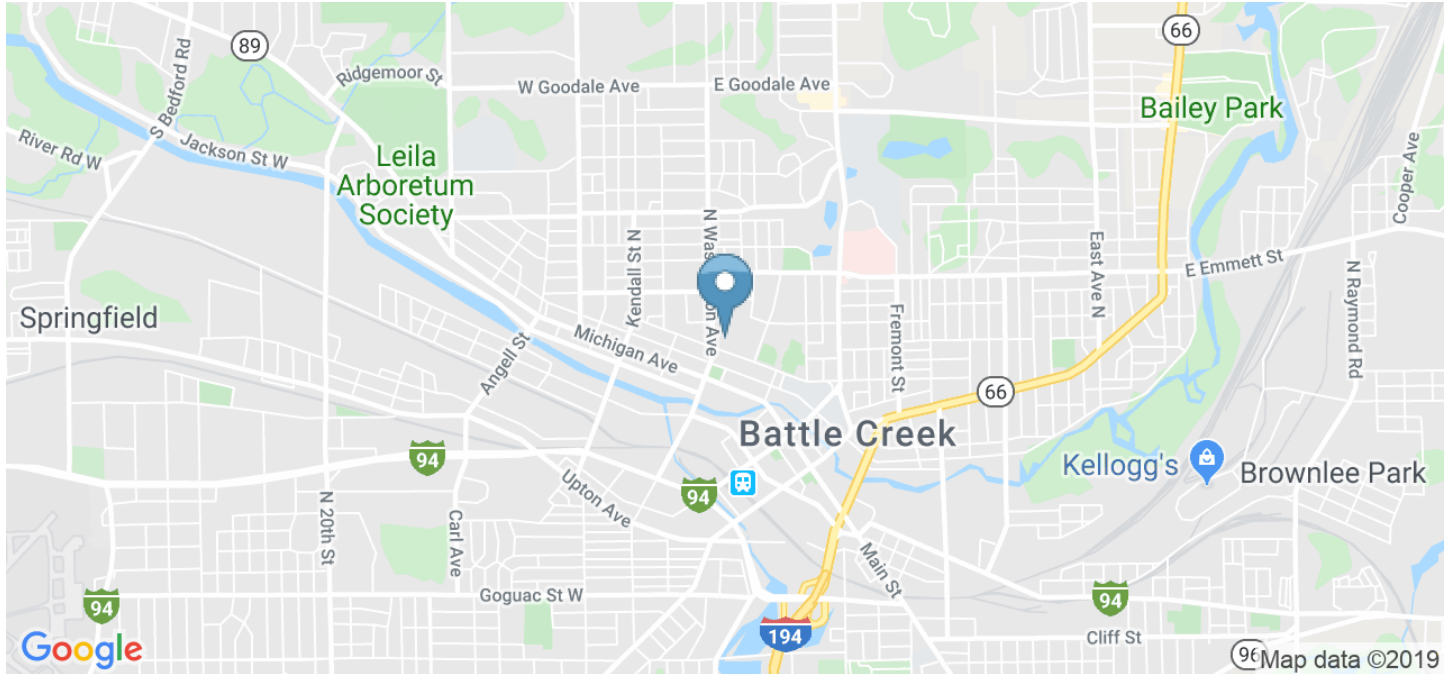
EBN	125143
Name	Hart-Dole-Inouye Federal Center
Alternative Name	Battle Creek Federal Center, Battle Creek Sanitarium, Percy Jones General Hospital, Building 1, Towers Building
Construction Type	high-rise building
Complex Type	governmental complex
Complex Name	Hart-Dole-Inouye Federal Center
Current Status	existing [completed]

Location

Continent Name	North America	City Name	Battle Creek
Country Name	U.S.A.	Postcode	49017
State Name	Michigan	Address (as text)	74 North Washington Avenue

Metro Area Name Battle Creek Metro Area

Map



Description

Facade System	applied masonry	Architectural style	renaissance revival
Facade Material	brick copper	Main Usage	governmental office
Facade Color	light yellow		

Spatial dimensions

Height (structural)	225 ft	Height (roof)	225 ft
Height (tip)	265 ft	Floors (overground)	15

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Years and costs

Year (construction start)	1927	Year (construction end)	1928
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Features & Amenities

- City landmark
- National landmark

Facts

- The Battle Creek Sanitarium was the birthplace of the American cereal foods industry. It was founded in 1866 as the Western Health Reform Institute by the temperance-minded Seventh Day Adventists. C. W. Post, founder of the Post cereal company, became interested in the commercial possibilities of the cereal foods served there while a patient in 1891, and began manufacturing Postum and Post Toasties.
- The Towers addition to the Battle Creek Sanitarium consists of a 256-room yellow-brick tower with copper copings, anthemion-decorated copper cornices, and copper roofing atop a two-story loggia of Ionic columns. Inside, a two-story lobby with a mezzanine features Corinthian columns and a coffered ceiling. Standing on high ground, it is visible throughout the city.
- W. K. Kellogg, the brother of one of the Sanitarium's directors, also went into the prepared food business, and his company developed into the largest in the world (though its headquarters remains in Battle Creek).
- The Sanitarium went bankrupt in 1933. It sold its main building to the federal government in 1942, which converted it to Percy Jones General Hospital. Now known as the "Federal Center," it is the headquarters of the Defense Logistics Services Center along with other federal agencies.

Involved companies

Architect.....

Merritt J. Morehouse

Chicago
U.S.A.

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