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Veterans Hospital No. 100

World War I created the need for increased medical care for returning soldiers. Veterans Hospital No. 100, a five hundred-bed neuropsychiatric facility that opened in 1924 on the grounds of Fort Custer, originally consisted of twenty-two Neo-Georgian structures in a crescent shaped arrangement. Like other Veterans Bureau facilities of the time, the hospital was built from standardized floor plans at a cost of nearly \$3 million. When erected on the grounds of Fort Custer, trenches, sand dunes, and barren soil dominated the site. Between 1927 and 1930, ninety-four hundred trees were planted on the 675-acre site, including English walnut trees, transplanted from the Battle Creek Sanitarium, that were originally grown at Mt. Vernon, Virginia.

Significant Date:

Two World Wars and the Depression (1915-1945)

Registry Year: 1989 **Erected Date:** 1991

Marker Location

Address: 5500 Armstrong Road

City: Battle Creek

State: MI **ZipCode:**

County: Calhoun

Township: Bedford

Lat: 42.33385800 / **Long:** -85.29703200

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