

In the last two years, the site of an old greenhouse near La Crosse's Myrick Park has been going through some changes.

That land is being prepared for energy-efficient housing, while a new greenhouse will be built downtown, on the site of the former Ivy Motel. Western Technical College president Lee Rasch says you'll see lots of construction at both locations in the new year.

Western is working with Mayo Clinic and the Hillview Urban Agriculture Center on the project. WTC students will be put to work building the houses and also operating the greenhouse, where food will be grown for Mayo nutrition programs.