

## Historical Marker - L478A - Dunbar Hospital (Marker ID#:L478A)



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#### *Dunbar Hospital*

At the time of World War I, health care for black Detroiters was inferior to that available for whites. Black physicians could not join the staffs of Detroit's white hospitals. On May 20, 1918, thirty black doctors, members of the Allied Medical Society (now the Detroit Medical Society) incorporated Dunbar Hospital, the city's first non-profit community hospital for the black population. It also housed the first black nursing school in Detroit. Located in a reform-minded neighborhood, this area was the center of a social and cultural emergence of the black residents of the city during the 1920s. In 1928 Dunbar moved to a larger facility and was later renamed Parkside, operating under that name until 1962. In 1978 the Detroit Medical Society, an affiliate of the National Medical Association, purchased the site for their administrative headquarters and a museum.

#### **Significant Date:**

Two World Wars and the Depression (1915-1945)

**Registry Year:** 1979    **Erected Date:** 1979

### Marker Location

**Address:** 580 Frederick

**City:** Detroit

**State:** MI    **ZipCode:** 48202

**County:** Wayne

**Township:**

**Lat:** 42.36177800 / **Long:** -83.05880700

**Web URL:**

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