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#### Clackamas County Board of Commissioners Policy Position Related to adult behavioral health facilities.

**Clackamas County supports House Bill 2059-2:** We support legislation that advances improved access to timely, person-centered care and resources for Oregonians struggling with substance use disorder (SUD), bridging the gap between crisis and long-term recovery.

The \$90 million identified in the Governor's Recommended Budget to expand residential treatment capacity is a critical, and HB 2059 can support that initiative. This will help decrease the gap in adult substance use treatment beds, reduce wait times during a crisis, and expand access to treatment for SUD, mental illness, or both.

In partnership, Clackamas County aims to add 70-beds through our recovery campus project, serving 1,000 people annually with SUD and co-occurring disorders. This project is shovel ready and centrally located on a county-owned 6.2-acre property. The recovery campus is an integral part of our recovery-oriented system of care that meets people where they are in their recovery journey and stays with them to ensure their path to success.

We support our regional partners in requesting \$60 million for projects aimed at increasing substance use disorder treatment, recovery housing, clinical withdrawal management, and mental health residential capacity. This investment is a commitment to strengthening behavioral health infrastructure and building on the foundation for a thriving, healthier future for communities across Oregon.

The recovery campus project materials are submitted jointly with this policy statement.

#### We urge a "yes" vote on HB 2059-2.

Please contact Trent Wilson (<u>twilson2@clackamas.us</u>) for more information.

# **Clackamas County Recovery Campus**



Clackamas County is seeking \$20 million in state legislative funding to advance construction of a recovery campus to meet the rising needs of people suffering from substance use disorders (addictions).

The campus will bridge the path between crisis and longterm recovery ensuring that people struggling with substance use receive timely, person-centered support, treatment, and resources to help them achieve and sustain recovery. Services will be provided by community-based organizations with deep experience in this field.



## **Funding at a Glance**

Funding in 2025 will address a critical need and ensure the county can launch the recovery campus by 2027, transforming lives and communities for years to come.



## The Clackamas County Recovery Campus will help to...

- Address existing gaps in adult substance use treatment beds
- Reduce wait times which may reduce drug induced fatalities that have doubled since 2019
- Leverage partnerships with law enforcement, emergency services, and the medical community to divert individuals from inappropriate jail or emergency room placements

### One location, multiple services, when it matters most

Clackamas County established a **recovery-oriented system of care** which uses a coordinated network of services that builds on the strengths and resiliencies of individuals, families, and communities. **Peer support will be foundational** to all aspects of a person's journey.

Funding will be used for development and construction of the campus which will include at least one clinical building, one or more housing structures and outdoor space, supportive housing and detox.



Services will be trauma-informed and person-centered and will include:

- Immediate access
- Post recovery support
- Detox/withdrawal
- Recovery housing
- On-site transitional housing
- Residential and outpatient services

- Peer support
- Care coordination
- Medication assisted treatment

#### **Measuring Success**

Clackamas County envisions recovery for all people struggling with substance use.



Metrics will be results-focused for both individuals and the campus. Measures such as abstinence, decreased criminal involvement, housing stability, and job retention are key factors for individuals while coordination of services, timely access, and cost effectiveness will be important metrics for the system.

#### Supporters include the medical, public safety and recovery communities

