A strategic approach to regional behavioral health

Regional acute care continuum: Improving inpatient capacity and crisis stabilization in Benton, Lincoln and Linn counties

1) Good Samaritan Acute Care Beds

Location: Corvallis

- Currently 10 occupied acute care beds, expanding to 20 (licensed for 28 total beds).
- Partial hospitalization capacity (expansion).

Balance needed for remodel: \$7.35 million

2 Benton County Crisis Center

Location: Corvallis (opening July 2025)

- Voluntary walk-in treatment facility that may serve as an alternative to the ER.
- Provides inclusive stabilization for anyone experiencing a mental health crisis.
- Open 24/7 with no appointment, regardless of ability to pay.
- 5 stabilization recliners and 6 respite beds in trauma-informed environment.
- Connected to ongoing treatment and community resources upon discharge.

Construction cost: \$9 million (funded)

3) Lincoln County Crisis Stabilization Center

Location: Lincoln City

Model: 23-hour crisis resolution center to divert adults in crisis away from ER and jail.

- Building suited for 5 guests.
- Modified van can respond to crisis in community.

Funds already invested: \$725,000

Balance needed for remodel: \$325,000

Anticipated opening: January 2026

4) Linn County Crisis Stabilization Center

Location: Albany

Model: Respite room with 5 personal reclining chairs, showers and laundry.

► Includes separate entrance for law enforcement and dedicated youth and family areas.

Linn County Investment: \$2.3 million **IHN-CCO Investment:** \$1.075 million

Balance needed for remodel: \$2.5 million

Anticipated opening: January 2026









A regional approach for collective impact

Investing in coordinated behavioral health services across Benton, Lincoln and Linn counties

What makes this funding request unique is the depth of regional coordination and readiness. For the past three years, IHN-CCO has collaborated closely with Samaritan Health Services and the Benton, Lincoln and Linn County Health departments through the Regional Behavioral Health Strategy Committee. This group is not just conceptual — it has been actively:

- ► Aligning regional priorities.
- Leveraging collective investments.
- Coordinating the development of a regional acute care continuum.

This collaborative has already secured funding and begun the development of three new crisis stabilization centers, one in each county, all anticipated to be operational by the end of Q1 2026 upon meeting final funding goals. These centers will reduce unnecessary emergency department visits and provide a critical diversion from law enforcement and jails. The committee is also working closely to ensure integration between the crisis centers and the five Samaritan hospitals across the region.

We can not do this alone—we need state assistance in completing our vision that will help the state in meeting its goals as well.

Shovel-ready projects

Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center is currently licensed for 28 psychiatric beds, of which 10 are operational. It stands ready to bring 10 additional beds online, expanding capacity to 20 beds, while also strengthening partial hospitalization capacity to ensure appropriate step-down care. This expansion is shovel-ready and complements the broader crisis system enhancements already underway.

Funding request:

Capital construction request for the Benton, Lincoln and Linn counties (one-time funding):



Good Samaritan Inpatient Psych Remodel \$7.35 million



Lincoln County Crisis Stabilization Center \$325,000



Linn County Crisis Stabilization Center \$2.5 million

Total ask: \$10.3 million

Funds already secured:



Benton County Crisis Center \$9 million



Linn County Crisis Stabilization Center \$3.375 million



Lincoln County Crisis Stabilization Center \$725,000

Total raised: \$13.1 million (seeking \$2.8 million to finish and open)



Target population acute care: Adults in need of short-term psychiatric hospital level of care in order to maintain their safety and dignity while remaining in their local/regional health system. The goal is to stay close to their home community and without the need to travel out of region to access another psychiatric bed.

Target population acute care alternatives: Individuals and families who are in crisis and need immediate assessment, stabilization and support in order to avoid entry into the justice system and other higher cost care alternatives if basic needs aren't met through the crisis stabilization center.

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