

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
CONTINUUM INFRASTRUCTURE
PROGRAM (BHCIP) OUTCOMES

DHCS was authorized through 2021 legislation to establish Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) and award competitive grant funding to construct, acquire, and expand properties and invest in mobile crisis infrastructure related to behavioral health.

DHCS has been releasing these funds through multiple grant rounds targeting various gaps in the state’s behavioral health facility infrastructure.



PREVIOUS BHCIP ROUNDS



ROUND 1: CRISIS MOBILE UNITS

\$202+ million to fund county, city, and tribal entity behavioral health authorities to implement new and enhanced CCMUs

(\$150 million BHCIP; remainder SAMHSA CRRSSA funds)

- DHCS awarded more than \$163 million to 78 county, city, and tribal entities, directly supporting 406 new or enhanced mobile crisis response teams throughout California.



ROUND 2: COUNTY AND TRIBAL PLANNING GRANT

\$7+ million for planning grants to counties and tribal grantees

- This grant provides an opportunity for counties and tribal entities to expand planning efforts in their communities or regions for the acquisition and expansion of behavioral health infrastructure statewide.
- DHCS awarded \$7+ million to support planning grants for 18 tribes and 30 counties.



ROUND 3: LAUNCH READY

\$518.5 million to projects that are launch ready

- DHCS awarded 45 organizations funds to build or expand launch-ready behavioral health care facilities.
- This funding creates 37 new inpatient and residential facility sites that will offer 1,292 new behavioral health treatment beds and 44 outpatient facilities that will serve over 130,321 new individuals annually.



ROUND 4: CHILDREN AND YOUTH

\$480.5 million to children and youth-focused facilities

- DHCS awarded 52 projects focused on facilities that provide care for children and youth age 25 and younger, including pregnant/postpartum women and their children, transition-age youth (TAY, ages 18-25), and their families.
- These funds support 29 new inpatient and residential facility sites with 509 new treatment beds and 46 outpatient facilities that will serve over 76,977 new individuals annually



ROUND 5: CRISIS AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUUM

\$430 million to fund projects focused on crisis services

- DHCS awarded 33 organizations for projects that will address significant crisis services gaps, with consideration for funding priority to those that provide crisis services to individuals in need.
- These funds support 29 new inpatient and residential facility sites with 800 new treatment beds and 38 outpatient facilities that will serve over 73,848 new individuals annually.

PROPOSITION 1 — BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOND

\$4.4 billion

6,800

behavioral health treatment beds

26,700

behavioral health outpatient treatment slots

Bond BHCIP Round 1: Launch Ready

Up to \$3.3 billion:

- \$1.5 billion for County, City, and Tribal entities only, not subject to a regional funding cap. \$30 million minimum to be awarded to tribal entities.
- \$1.8 billion to all eligible entities (counties, cities, Tribal entities, and nonprofit and for-profit organizations) within set regional allocations.
- Awards to be announced May 2025.

Bond BHCIP Round 2: Unmet Needs

Up to \$1.1 billion:

- Release for the Request for Applications is anticipated in May 2025.
- Award announcements anticipated in late Spring 2026.

The Behavioral Health Bond was part of a two bill package passed by California voters in 2024. To administer the Bond, DHCS is leveraging the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) model, up to \$4.4 billion in grants to construct, acquire, and rehabilitate real estate assets to expand the continuum of behavioral health treatment and service resources for Californians. The grants will be distributed across two rounds.