

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUUM INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM (BHCIP) OUTCOMES

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) was authorized through 2021 legislation to establish the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) and award grants to construct, acquire, and expand properties and invest in mobile crisis infrastructure related to behavioral health.



DHCS is releasing these funds through multiple grant rounds targeting various gaps in the state's behavioral health infrastructure.

PREVIOUS BHCIP ROUNDS



ROUND 1: CRISIS MOBILE UNITS

\$210+ million to fund county, city, and Tribal entity behavioral health authorities to implement new and enhanced Crisis Care Mobile Units (CCMU).

(\$150 million BHCIP; remainder SAMHSA Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) funds)

- DHCS awarded more than \$188 million to 77 county, city, and Tribal entities, directly supporting 458 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 empowers 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 44 organizations funds to build or expand launch-ready behavioral health care facilities, meaning the project has completed predevelopment design, planning, site control, and budgeting details.
- This funding created 41 residential facilities, which will offer 1,291 new behavioral health treatment beds and 31 outpatient treatment facilities with 6,919 outpatient treatment slots.



ROUND 4: CHILDREN AND YOUTH

\$480.5 million to children and youth-focused facilities

- DHCS awarded 50 projects focused on facilities that provide care for children and youth aged 25 and younger, including pregnant/postpartum women and their children, transition-age youth ages 18-25, and their families.
- These funds support 31 residential facilities with 534 new treatment beds and 38 outpatient facilities with 8,306 outpatient treatment slots.



ROUND 5: CRISIS AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUUM

\$430 million to fund projects focused on crisis services

- DHCS awarded 32 organizations for projects to address significant crisis services gaps, with priority funding given to projects that provide crisis services to individuals in need.
- These funds support 34 new inpatient and residential facility sites with 791 new treatment beds and 29 outpatient facilities with 3,476 outpatient treatment slots.

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 announced in May 2025.

Bond BHCIP Round 2: Unmet Needs

More than \$800 Million:

- Request for Applications to be released in May 2025.
- Award announcements are anticipated in late spring 2026.

The Behavioral Health Bond Infrastructure Bond Act is part of Proposition 1, which was passed by California voters in 2024. DHCS is leveraging the BHCIP model to administer the bond – up to \$4.4 billion in grants – to construct, acquire, and rehabilitate real estate assets to expand the continuum of behavioral health treatment and services for Californians. The grants will be distributed across two rounds.