

**MONDAY MORNING GROUP OF WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY  
ANNUAL ADVOCACY TRIP – SACRAMENTO, CA  
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**RECOVERY VILLAGES**

**ISSUE:** Riverside County has a low per capita availability of medical services per resident. Recovery Villages, with their robust service model, would make significant progress towards addressing this issue. The first two Recovery Villages in Riverside County are in the early stages of development in the Coachella Valley and in Hemet. Both have received \$80 million in state grants, but both sites require additional funding to be ready for public use.

**ACTION:** The Monday Morning Group urges leaders in the Legislature and Administration to look for opportunities to facilitate the development of these two sites and, in the future, additional Recovery Villages. Without adequate funding, the County of Riverside faces significant difficulty in improving service delivery to underserved areas.

Applications from the Riverside University Health System (RUHS) to the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) for funding through the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) program have been awarded funding, but additional resources are needed. While the BHCIP funding has been instrumental in the development of the Recovery Villages, additional creative granting and budgetary solutions are needed at the state level. At the federal level, earmarks for planning funds and direct budget allocations for RUHS projects are useful for the realization of the overall Recovery Village vision.

**BACKGROUND:** Recovery Villages are campuses that house the entirety of behavioral health, substance abuse, and medical services in one location, reducing the distance between consumers and their care. Recovery Villages also incorporate facilities for a myriad of services including, but not limited to, Community Wellness and Education, Extended Care, Nutritional Assistance such as WIC, and Urgent Care.

Recovery Villages are RUHS's answer to inequitable healthcare availability in Riverside County. RUHS envisions multiple Recovery Villages throughout the County.

**Recovery Villages Expected Timelines:**

Construction Timeline: Design process under way, major construction begins Fall 2023, project completion anticipated Summer 2026

Construction Cost: \$1.2 million per bed

**Total Projected Cost:** \$400 million+ per Village, depending on factors including land, labor, and incidental costs.

**Recovery Village Grant Summary:**

Awarded Grants: **\$80.4 million** from Department of Healthcare Services (DHCS), Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program Grant (BHCIP), Round 3 and Round 4  
**\$1 million** earmarked Congressional Directed Funding by Congressman Ruiz

Pending Applications: **\$169 million** from the California Department of Social Services. Community Care Expansion Program Grant (submitted in 2 separate applications)

Future Applications: **\$70 million** for BHCIP Round 5 (application submittal February 2023)  
BHCIP Round 6 (awaiting details from DHCS)