



**Behavioral Health: Increase Access and Coordination**

Regional Health Improvement Plan Workgroup

Join Zoom Meeting

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November 17, 2021

1:00-2:30pm

Aim/Goal
<p>Increase equitable access to skilled and coordinated care between specialty behavioral health* and the larger health system, including primary care, while decreasing barriers to ensure an effective and timely response.</p> <p>*Specialty behavioral health: behavioral health, substance abuse, and developmental services that are delivered outside of primary care.</p>
Future State Metrics
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Increase availability of behavioral health providers in marginalized areas of the region.</li> <li>2. Increase timeliness and engagement when referred from primary care to specialty behavioral health.</li> <li>3. Standardize screening processes for appropriate levels of follow-up care across services.</li> </ol>

AGENDA
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1:00 - 1:10 PM	Welcome, Land Acknowledgement & Guiding Principles, Announcements
1:10 – 2:20 PM	Focus Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and Oregon Health &amp; Science University around a project for the <b>Oregon state legislature to increase wages for behavioral health providers</b></li> </ul>
2:20 - 2:30 PM	Wrap Up and Next Steps

Working Document: [https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1jx7QDra\\_SVxVYXNktj9No7ODu\\_dGeDhXfJ4CsBa-Oo0/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1jx7QDra_SVxVYXNktj9No7ODu_dGeDhXfJ4CsBa-Oo0/edit?usp=sharing)



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Future State Metrics – Full Detail

1. By December 2023, improve the availability of behavioral health providers in the marginalized areas of the region (La Pine, Madras, Redmond) to exceed the Oregon average for rural areas of 0.62 in 2019 as measured by 'mental health providers per 1,000 population
2. By December 2023, a method is developed to measure timeliness and engagement with specialty behavioral health referred from primary care.
3. By December 2023, a method is developed to standardize screening processes to assure clients receive the appropriate level of care and follow-up across various services in Central Oregon.

## **Land Acknowledgement**

We recognize and acknowledge the indigenous land of which we live, work, learn, play, and grow. This is the land of the Warm Springs, Wasco, Northern Paiute, Tenino, Klamath, Molalla, and Yahooskin. We acknowledge them as the past, present, and future caretakers of this land. It is on their traditional land where we partner to improve the health and well-being of Central Oregonians. We aspire to be good guests honoring the concept in the Warm Springs culture: “This land is for you to know and live upon and pass on to the children.”

# Regional Health Improvement Plan (RHIP) Workgroup

## Guiding Principles

### **Shared Focus**

We come together to improve the health and well-being of individuals living in various and diverse communities throughout Central Oregon region. We use the Regional Health Improvement Plan (RHIP) as our guide. It is our region's shared vision of current problems and our aims. As workgroup partners we develop agreed-upon actions to solve the issues and keep the needs of our communities as the main focus.

### **Shared Metrics**

We measure progress, process and outcomes through a shared lens. We use the Regional Health Assessment (RHA), Regional Health Improvement Plan and community dashboard.

### **Partner with Priority Populations**

The individuals living in our diverse Central Oregon communities are the center of our work. We make every effort to include people from every part of the region in our workgroups, discussions, processes and decisions.

### **Collaborate to Solve Complex Issues**

Inviting diverse perspectives from throughout the Central Oregon region deepens our shared understanding of complex issues and propels us toward better progress and outcomes. We practice frequent, structured, open communication to build trust, assure shared objectives, and create common motivation. We respect the privacy and sensitivity of information partners share.

### **Coordinate Collective Efforts**

We are made up of diverse partner organizations and individuals with unique strengths, skills, and resources. We coordinate our efforts and use our unique strengths and skills to meet the goals of the RHIP.

### **Learn and Adapt Together**

We embrace shared learning and a growth mindset. We create a space that allows for mistakes, failures, second changes, and a celebration of brave attempts. We adjust and apply our learnings to the complex and changing landscape of health and well-being in Central Oregon.

## Behavioral Health: Increase Access and Coordination

**Background: Why are we talking about this?**

<p><b>1990s</b> Mill Closures / Timber Industry Decline State Hospitals Deinstitutionalized US Wars impact on Veterans</p> <p><b>2000s</b> Population Growth in Central Oregon Housing shortage Rising suicide rates Tech Advancement &amp; Screen Time</p>	<p>Mental health affects how we think, feel and act. It determines how we handle stress, relate to others, and make choices. Mental health challenges can increase the risk of physical health problems such as stroke and heart disease. Individuals benefit significantly from intensive coordination of care and outreach activities, which are less available in remote areas of Central Oregon.</p>
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**Current Condition: What's happening right now?**

- Approximately 1 in 4 adults over 55 in Central Oregon reported a diagnosis of depression
- Percentage of students who reported feeling sad or hopeless has been generally trending upward
- 64% of individuals who died by suicide visited their primary care provider within one year prior to their death

**Current State Metrics:**

1. Availability of behavioral health providers is less in the rural areas of the region
2. No way to measure timeliness and engagement with specialty behavioral health when referred by primary care
3. No standardize screening processes for appropriate levels of follow-up care across services

**Goal Statement: Where do we want to be in 4 years?**

**Aim/Goal**  
Increase equitable access to skilled and coordinated care between specialty behavioral health and the larger health system, including primary care, while decreasing barriers to ensure an effective and timely response.

**Future State Metrics - By December 2023:**

1. Increase availability of behavioral health providers in marginalized areas of the region.
2. Increase timeliness and engagement when referred from primary care to specialty behavioral health.
3. Standardize screening processes for appropriate levels of follow-up care across services.

**Analysis: What's keeping us from getting there?**

- Care is culturally inappropriate and unresponsive
- Behavioral Health Careers are undervalued, underappreciated and not at parity with medical health
- Siloed communication and coordination across systems and agencies
- Behavioral Health Conditions are viewed as a character weakness
- Systemic undervaluing & underfunding of Behavioral Health
- Disjointed systems do not address whole person care

Date updated: 10.2021

**Strategic Direction: What are we going to try?**

- A. Strengthening and Expanding the Behavioral Health Workforce
- B. Improving Coordination and Access to Culturally Responsive Behavioral Health Care
- C. Normalizing and Destigmatizing Mental Health Across the Lifespan
- D. Advocating and Lobbying for Behavioral Health Funding at Parity with Physical Health

**Focused Implementation: What are our specific actions? (who, what, when, where?)**

Future State Measure	What	When Start	Who/How
3	Develop a method to standardize screening processes to assure clients receive the appropriate level of care and follow-up	TBD	Consultant RFP Estimated release Winter
2	Identify, create or adapt regional measure for timeliness and engagement and integrate into payer models	2021 - 2024	Consultant, Creach Consulting Group, LLC.
1	Create a community-driven behavioral health workforce development pipeline to serve rural areas	TBD	RFP Estimated release Fall/Winter 2021

**Follow-Up: What's working? What have we learned?**

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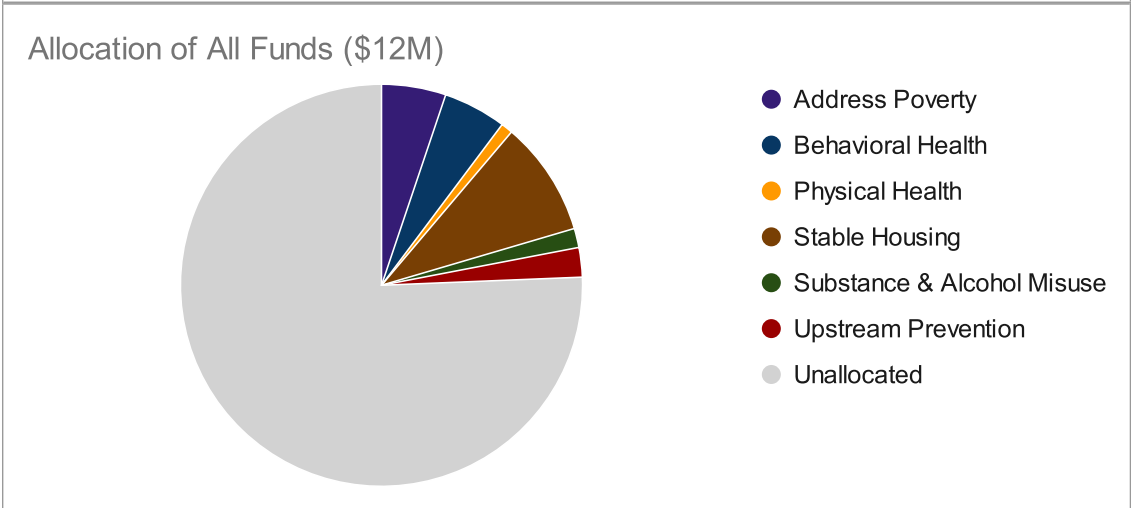
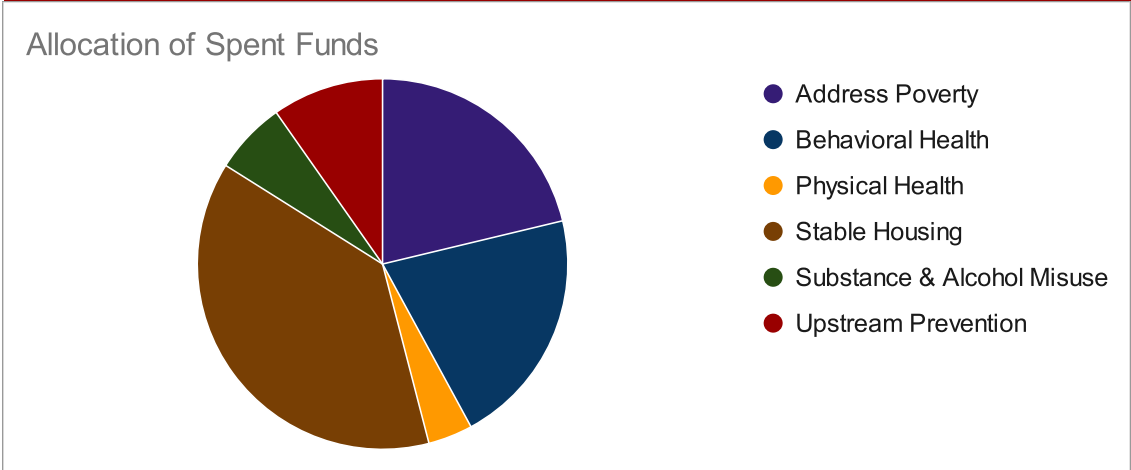
# 2020-2024 RHIP Workgroups

## 5 Year Budget

Updated October 25, 2021

Funds Available	<b>\$9,077,340</b>
Initial Funds (spread over 5 years)	\$12,000,000
Funds Spent	\$2,922,660

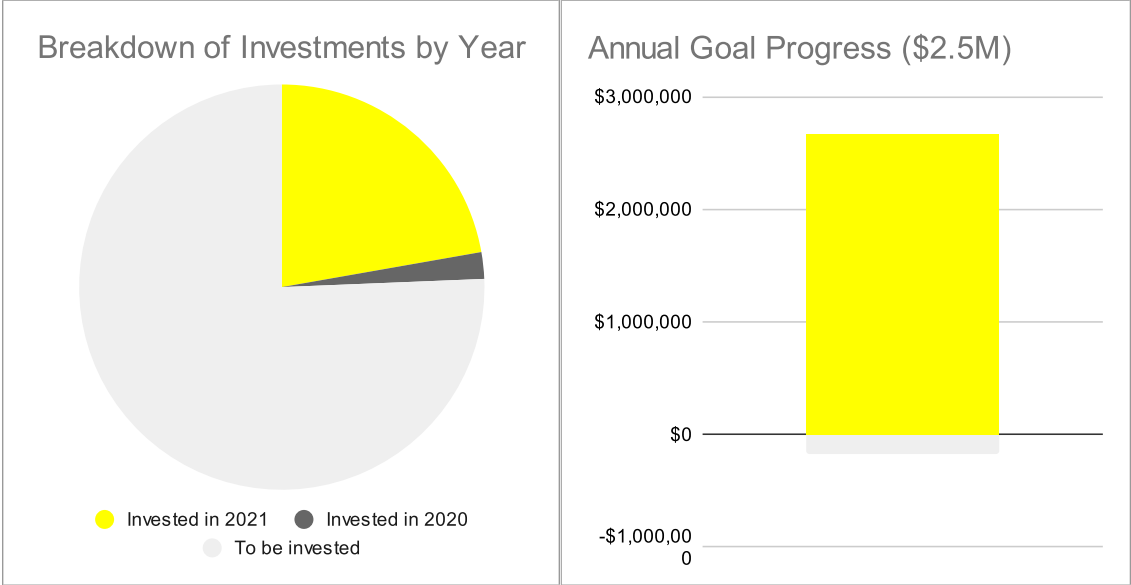
Amount Invested by Workgroup	
Address Poverty	\$621,001.79
Behavioral Health	\$608,725.00
Physical Health	\$113,661.56
Stable Housing	\$1,109,654.00
Substance & Alcohol Misuse	\$184,920.00
Upstream Prevention	\$284,698.00



# 2020-2024 RHIP Workgroups

## 2021 Budget

2021 investment goal	\$2,500,000
Amount remaining to invest toward 2021 goal	-\$167,710
Invested in 2021	\$2,667,710
Invested in 2020	\$254,951



For the 2021-2024 funding years, each workgroup's annual investment goal is a minimum of \$500,000. The Central Oregon Health Council is required by law to invest a total of at least \$2.5M each year through the workgroups. Each workgroup is expected to do their part in helping to reach this \$2.5M annual commitment.

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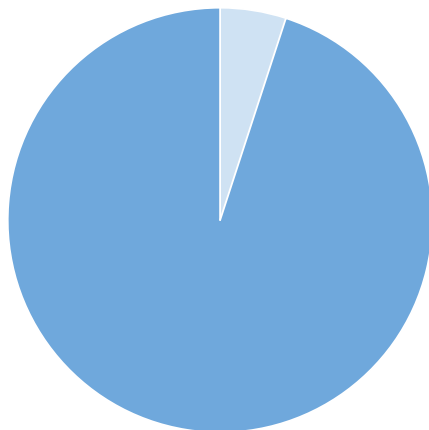
Updated October 25, 2021

Funds Available	<b>\$1,391,275</b>
Initial Funds (spread over 5 years)	\$2,000,000
Funds Spent	\$608,725

## Amount Invested by Future State Measure

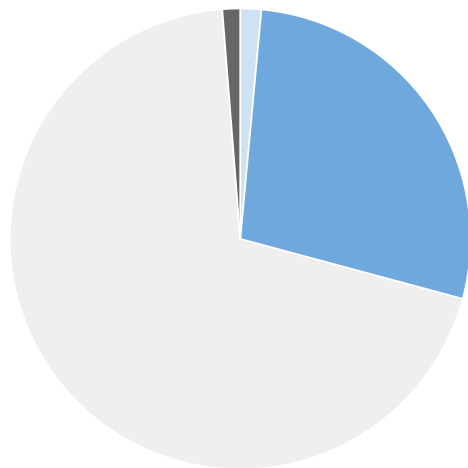
Improve availability of behavioral health providers in marginalized areas (La Pine, Madras, Redmond)	\$29,275.00
Develop a method to measure timeliness and engagement with specialty behavioral health referred from primary care.	\$554,450.00
Standardize screening processes for appropriate levels of follow-up care across services	\$0.00

Allocation of Funds by Measure



- Improve availability of behavioral health providers in marginalized areas (La Pine, Madras, Redmond)
- Develop a method to measure timeliness and engagement with specialty behavioral health referred from primary care.

Allocation of All Funds (\$2M)



- Improve availability of behavioral health providers in marginalized areas (La Pine, Madras, Redmond)
- Develop a method to measure timeliness and engagement with specialty behavioral health referred from primary care.
- Unallocated
- COVID-19 (\$25k pooled funds)

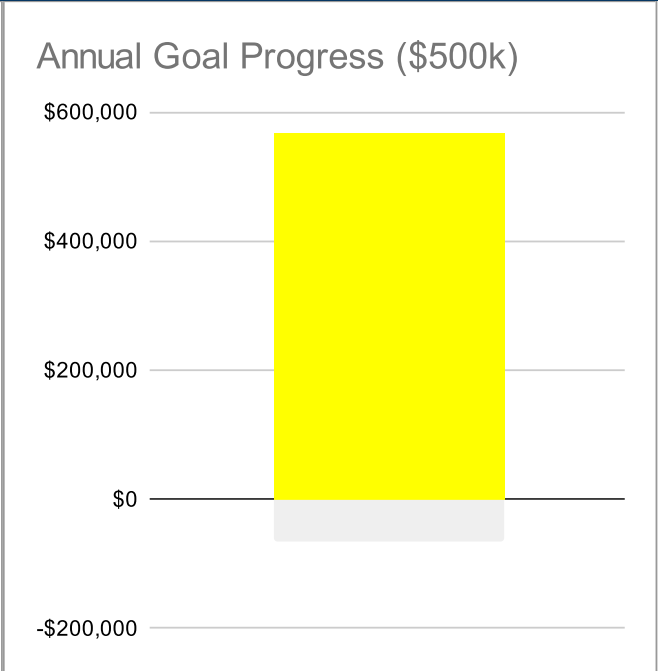
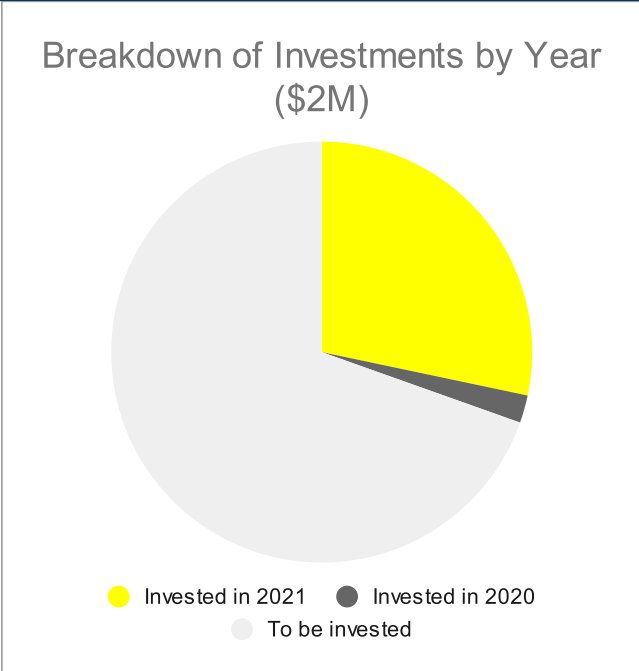


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Large Investments						
Organized by end date						
Organization	Project Name	Start	End	Rural Providers	Timeliness	Standard Screenings
Creach Consulting, LLC	Advancing Integrated Care: Timely Access & Engagement Metric Development	Nov-21	Apr-24		X	

# Behavioral Health: Increase Access and Coordination 2021 RHIP Workgroup Budget

2021 investment goal \$500,000  
 Amount remaining to invest toward 2021 goal **-\$66,225**  
 Invested in 2021 **\$566,225**  
 Invested in 2020 \$42,500



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