



COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

REQUEST FOR INTEREST No. 25-07

for

Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) Facilities Request Bond BHCIP Round 2: Unmet Needs

Any Request for Proposal (RFP) issued as a result of this Request for Interest (RFI) will be posted on [Contracting Opportunities | General Services Agency - Alameda County](#). Please immediately update the County Contact noted below of any e-mail address changes. To vendors registered or certified in the Small Local Emerging Business vendor database: Please maintain correct and accurate e-mail address information to ensure receipt of future RFIs.

Contact Person: James Wagner

Phone Number: (510) 567-8125

E-mail Address: James.Wagner@acgov.org

RFI RESPONSE DUE

by

2:00 p.m.

on

September 1, 2025



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A. INTENT

The intent of this Request for Interest (RFI) is to identify a pool of potentially qualified vendors that may be eligible for funding from the Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP). Through this RFI, Alameda County Health, Behavioral Health Department (thereafter ACBHD or County) hopes to identify facilities for “Bond BHCIP”; specifically, behavioral health infrastructure projects that incorporate the statewide needs assessment and identify any remaining unmet needs. ACBHD is looking for available facilities that can be renovated and used through Bond BHCIP; apply for funds for renovation and rehabilitation; and enter into a long-term lease agreement so that the facility will be available for the provision of behavioral health services.

ACBHD intends to release a Request for Proposal (RFP) following the RFI and award a 4-year contract (with the option to renew) to the bidder selected as the most responsible bidder whose response conforms to the RFP and meets the County’s requirements. The County does not guarantee that a subsequent RFP will be issued. Should an RFP be issued as intended, the terms and conditions described in this RFI are not guaranteed to remain exactly the same.

B. SCOPE

The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) was authorized through 2021 legislation to establish the BHCIP and award \$2.2 billion to construct, acquire, and expand properties and invest in mobile crisis infrastructure related to behavioral health.

In March 2024, California voters passed Proposition 1, a two-bill package including the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) (Senate Bill 326) and the Behavioral Health Infrastructure Bond Act of 2024 (BHIBA) (Assembly Bill 531). The BHIBA portion is a \$6.38 billion general obligation bond to develop an array of behavioral health treatment, residential care settings, and supportive housing to help provide appropriate care facilities for Californians experiencing mental health conditions and substance use disorders.

DHCS was authorized to award up to \$4.4 billion in BHIBA funds through Bond BHCIP Round 1 and 2. DHCS is no longer accepting applications for Round 1. This RFI is seeking projects for Round 2: Unmet Needs.

<https://www.infrastructure.buildingcalhhs.com/grantees/bond-bhcip-rounds/>

These competitive grants will be available “to construct, acquire, and rehabilitate real estate assets or to invest in needed infrastructure to expand the continuum of behavioral health treatment resources to build new capacity or expand existing capacity for short-term crisis stabilization, acute and subacute care, crisis residential, community based mental health residential, substance use disorder residential, peer respite, community and outpatient behavioral health services, and other clinically enriched longer term treatment

and rehabilitation options for persons with behavioral health disorders in the least restrictive and least costly setting.”¹

Funding may only be used to expand community-based facility capacity exclusively for behavioral health services in the continuum of care. Funding must be for new or expanding infrastructure projects to supplement and not supplant existing funds to construct, acquire, and rehabilitate real estate assets. Additionally, projects must make a commitment to serve Medi-Cal beneficiaries.

This arrangement does not require or guarantee that the owner of the building be the service provider. In order to renovate the building, DHCS will require that Medi-Cal beneficiaries are served in grant funded facilities through BHCIP for a minimum of 30 years after construction is completed. Any contract award subsequent to this RFI is contingent on the availability of funds.

C. VENDOR QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

Vendor minimum qualification criteria include, but are not limited, to the following:

1. Bidder shall be regularly and continuously engaged in the business of owning or leasing healthcare facilities for at least ten of the past ten years; and
2. Bidder shall possess all permits, licenses and professional credentials necessary to supply product and/or perform services as specified under any subsequent RFP.

D. COUNTY CONTACTS

Questions regarding this RFI must be submitted in writing to:
James Wagner, Deputy Director of Clinical Operations
Alameda County Health, Behavioral Health Department
Phone: (510) 567-8125
E-mail: James.Wagner@acgov.org

E. ESTIMATED CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Event	Date
Request for Interest (RFI) Issued	July 31, 2025
RFI Response Due	By 2:00 p.m. on September 1, 2025
Request for Proposal (RFP) Issued	January 2026
Contract Start Date	July 1, 2026

Note: Dates indicated are approximate.

¹ AB-531, The Behavioral Health Infrastructure Bond Act of 2023

F. REQUEST FOR INTEREST RESPONSE FORMAT

ACBHD intends to issue an RFP in order to establish a contract for the above-referenced service in the near future.

1. Vendors that meet the Qualification Criteria and are interested in being included on the vendor list to receive any subsequent bid documents (if issued), should send an RFI Response via e-mail to James Wagner: James.Wagner@acgov.org by **2:00 p.m. on September 1, 2025.**

The subject of the e-mail must read: ***RFI No. 25-07 (Bidder Name)***

The RFI Response must contain the following:

- Bidder Name
 - Contact Person Name
 - Business Address (PO Box/Street Address, City, State)
 - Contact Telephone Number
 - Contact E-mail Address
 - Building address and description (no more than one page)
 - Description of how Bidder meets the Qualification Criteria (no more than one page)
2. In addition, ACBHD encourages any **new vendors that are local to Alameda County** to register and be added to the County SLEB database. More information on how to register can be found on the County's website at: [Supplier Corner - Small, Local and Emerging Business \(SLEB\) Program - Alameda County \(acgov.org\)](#).
 3. Both local and non-local can subscribe to any or all Contracting Opportunities Categories at [County of Alameda, CA Procurement Portal](#) for automatic updates. Subscribers will receive an e-mail announcing when the latest information has been updated on our website. More information at [Contracting Opportunities | General Services Agency - Alameda County](#)