

# SKCCH Crisis Care Centers (CCC) Levy Implementation Planning Update

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# King County Crisis Care Centers Levy

Full Ordinance Online:

<https://info.kingcounty.gov/kcelections/Vote/contests/ballotmeasures.aspx?lang=en-US&cid=100765&groupname=County#collapseSixInverse>

1.

Create five new regional crisis care centers:



Distributed geographically across the county, the centers will provide walk-in access and the potential for short-term stays to help people stabilize, depending on needs, with one center specifically serving youth.

*Currently*

One 46-bed crisis center for 2.3 million people in our county



2.

Preserve and restore the dramatic loss of residential treatment beds:



In 2018, 355 beds providing community-based residential care for people with mental health residential needs existed in King County. Today, only 244 of these beds are available.

*Currently*

Loss of 1 in 3 of our residential treatment beds in recent years



As of July 2022, people waited an average of 44 days for a mental health residential bed.



3.

Grow the behavioral health workforce pipeline:



The proposal will create career pathways through apprenticeship programming and access to higher education, credentialing, training, and wrap-around supports. It will also invest in equitable wages for the workforce at crisis care centers.

*Currently*

Historic labor shortages

A 2021 King County survey of member organizations of the King County Integrated Care Network found that job vacancies at community behavioral health agencies

were at least double what they were in 2019.



Programmatically, CCC is primarily a Capital Initiative. But operations are likely 40% or more of budget.

# CCC Levy Implementation Planning Timeline





# Implementation Planning Feedback Questions

1. Can you think of a time when a person you were working with needed behavioral health crisis services: What did you need? What did you get? Was it useful?
  2. How can we design Crisis Care Centers so that people experiencing homelessness want to come to them?
  3. Thinking ahead to the future, what would Crisis Care Centers need to show you to demonstrate success?
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# Regular Community Engagement Meetings

## *Community Partner Update*

- *Monthly, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 1-2pm*
- *Next meeting: August 15, 1-2pm*

## *Youth Partner Workgroup*

- *Monthly, 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, 1-2:30pm*
- *Next meeting: July 26, 1-2:30pm*

## *SUD Partner Workgroup*

- *Monthly, 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 3-4pm*
- *Next meeting: August 22, 3-4pm*

## *System Integration Workgroup*

- *Monthly, 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, 11am-12:30pm*
- *Next meeting: August 10, 11am-12:30pm*

Interested in participating? Email [kbaber@kingcounty.gov](mailto:kbaber@kingcounty.gov) to be added to a group.

## Additional Engagement Opportunities

- Focus groups, listening sessions, community meetings will be starting in late summer and fall
- CCC Levy implementation planning website will be live soon
- Community survey:  
<https://forms.office.com/g/MW3wGVMAeM>



# Behavioral Health Crisis Resources

## **988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline**

Provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in the US. [Lifeline \(988lifeline.org\)](https://www.lifeline.org)

## **Native and Strong Lifeline: Dial 988 then press 4**

The Native and Strong Lifeline is a suicide, crisis, and help line specifically for American Indian and Alaska Natives. [Tribal Services | VOAWW](#)

## **Veterans Crisis Line: Dial 988 then press 1**

24/7, confidential crisis support for Veterans and their loved ones. You don't have to be enrolled in VA benefits or health care to connect. [Home \(veteranscrisisline.net\)](https://www.veteranscrisisline.net)

## **24-Hour Crisis Line: 866-427-4747**

The 24-Hour Crisis Line provides immediate help to individuals, families, and friends of people in emotional crisis. The crisis line can help you determine if you or your loved one needs professional consultation and is a primary source for linking residents to emergency mental health services in **King, Pierce, Clark, Skamania, Klickitat, Grant, Okanogan, Chelan, and Douglas Counties**.

Learn more at Crisis Connections: <https://www.crisisconnections.org>

## **King County 211**

Connects people to the help they need. 211 provides the most comprehensive information on health and human services in King County.

## **Teen Link: 866-833-6546**

Teen Link is a confidential and anonymous help line for teens. Trained teen volunteers are available to talk with you about any issue of concern. No issue is too big or too small!

## **WA Recovery Help Line: 866-789-1511**

An anonymous and confidential help line that provides crisis intervention and referral services for Washington State residents. Professionally trained volunteers and staff are available to provide emotional support 24 hours a day, and offer local treatment resources for substance abuse, problem gambling and mental health as well as to other community services.

## **WA Warm Line: 877-500-WARM (9276)**

WA Warm Line is a peer support help line for people living with emotional and mental health challenges. Calls are answered by specially-trained volunteers who have lived experience with mental health challenges. They have a deep understanding of what you are going through and are here to provide emotional support, comfort, and information. All calls are confidential.

# King County Behavioral Health Resources

## **Behavioral Health Client Services Line:**

**206-263-8997 or 1-800-790-8049**

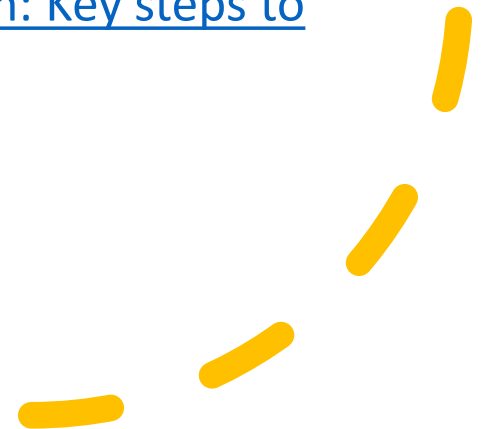
King County Behavioral Health & Recovery Division's Client Services provides a public telephone line to help people access behavioral health services. Hours are M-F, 8am-5pm.

[Behavioral Health and Recovery Division - King County](#)

## **Substance Use Resources:**

[Providing support and care for people living with substance use disorder: Treatment access in King County](#)

[Substance use prevention and early intervention: Key steps to reduce harm and prevent use before it starts](#)





Thank you!

