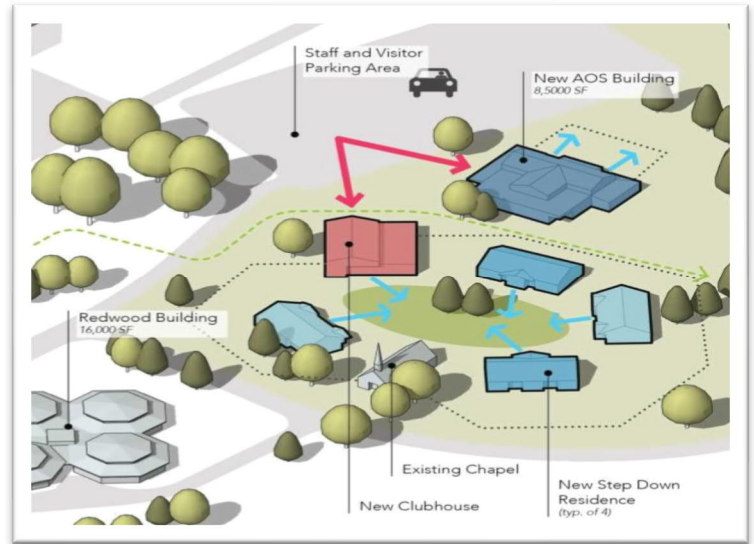


Developmental Disabilities Crisis System Improvement Project – Building Funding Summary

The department is requesting \$13,150,000 state general funds for the building of new care settings. This one-time supplemental budget request is a necessary investment for the new system of care for individuals with developmental disabilities and complex behavioral issues that is planned to be fully implemented in 2024.

Architectural Feasibility Study

- Both the Assessment, Observation and Stabilization (AOS) Unit, and Step-Down Housing were evaluated in a feasibility study comparing new and renovated construction opportunities.
- Although, the renovated construction options were compelling, ultimately each failed to deliver an optimal, cost effective, safe and secure environment.
- Site selection - The selected site is a safe, insulated campus location for clients that provides more area for outdoor use and has no previous history of development.



Estimated Costs

AOS New Build – Approximately \$5.1 MM

- Option includes construction of a new, approximately 8,500 square foot single story secured residence building, an exterior resident yard and associated site work.

Step-Down New Build - Approximately \$5.9 MM

- Option includes construction of new clubhouse and four independent duplex buildings; housing two, two-bedroom units per duplex. Buildings are to be arranged around a central courtyard with walking path, picnic tables, benches, sports court and upgraded landscaping.

Additional Costs - Approximately \$2 MM

- The request includes the demolition of several buildings on the SWITC campus that have not been used for some time and are beyond repair. The department has included an additional 10% contingency per the Division of Public Works recommendations.

Rationale for New Buildings

- The 2019 Office of Performance Evaluations Southwest Idaho Treatment Center (SWITC) Report concluded that SWITC's existing facilities are not conducive to client treatment or to staff or client safety.
- New buildings better promote the department's desired care outcomes and sends a clear message to residents and staff that the care model has changed.

AOS Unit

- Improved line of sight in the new assessment unit will allow for greater staff safety and should allow for reduced staff on the floor.

Step Down Housing

- New buildings allow for living spaces to be designed to more closely resemble settings clients will encounter in the community and allow for improved transitions.

Continuum of Care

The department's new system of care focuses on supporting individuals in their communities whenever possible. These new campus-based buildings are a part of a continuum that also includes specialized clinical teams trained in cross-system intervention, community-based crisis beds and building the home and community-based provider network so that more individuals can remain in the community.