

# State Funding for County Behavioral Health Crisis Services

## Examples and Opportunities

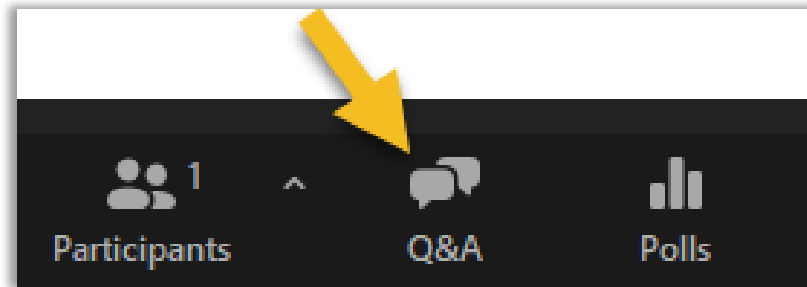
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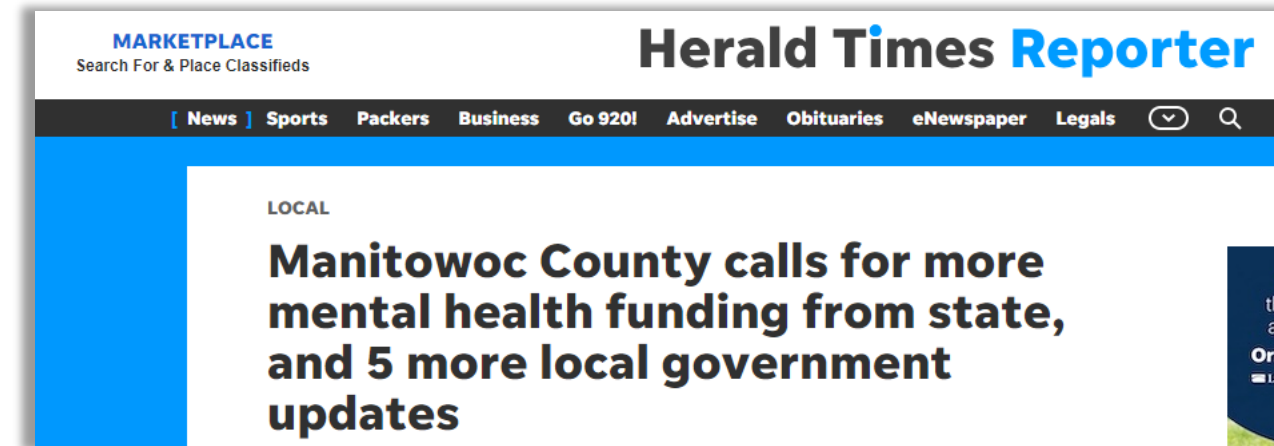
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# Agenda

- Welcome
- Topic overview
- County Example: Rio Arriba County, New Mexico
- County Example: King County, Washington
- Questions to Panelists
- Closing

# Funding Challenges & Opportunities

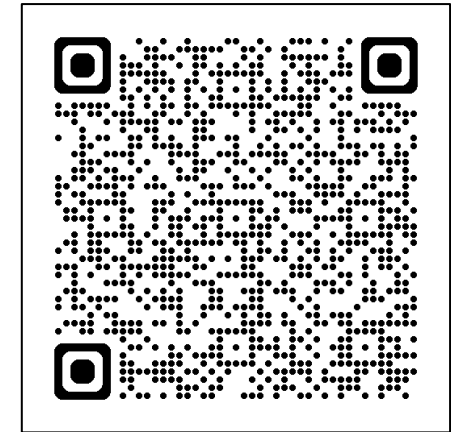
- Variability of sources
  - *End of the American Rescue Plan Act*
- Workforce shortages
- Disparities in infrastructure



# County Funding Opportunities to Support Community Members Experiencing a Behavioral Health Crisis

## A Blueprint for Counties:

- Identify and apply for funding opportunities
- Blend and braid resources to build a robust, accessible and sustainable behavioral health crisis continuum of care



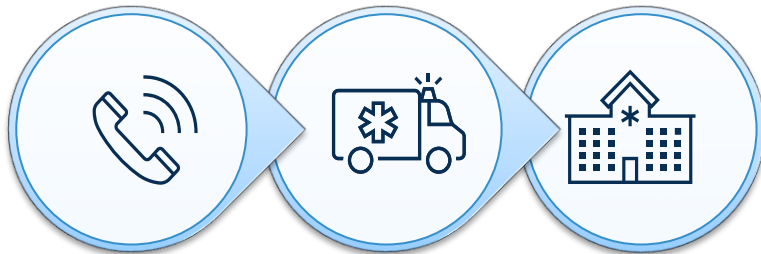
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## How to Use the Chart

### Five Categories of Funding Sources

- Summary
- Potential uses across continuum
- County Example



Federal Funding	+
Federal/State Funding	+
State Funding	+
County Funding	+
Non-Government Funding	+

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## State Funding

FUNDING SOURCE	SUMMARY	POTENTIAL USES	COUNTY EXAMPLE
State cell phone fees	The federal legislation that created 988 and extended the scope of the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline also allows for states to charge fees on phone bills to help fund these services.	Someone to Talk To	<b>Kern County, Calif.</b> (Pop. 909,235) is one of 13 call centers in California that will benefit from comprehensive state legislation that established an eight-cent surcharge for cell phone users.
State appropriations	As part of the annual budget process, states can allocate funding to specific programs that counties can leverage.	Someone to Talk To Someone to Respond A Safe Place for Help	<b>Charleston County, S.C.</b> (Pop. 408,235) will be home to a new 988 backup center in 2023, funded by \$2.6 million in grants and appropriations from the state legislature. <b>Missoula County, Mont.</b> (Pop. 117,922) is using \$113,000 from the state County and Tribal Matching Grant funds to begin planning and renovating a space for the Crisis Receiving Center.
State taxes	States can levy taxes on certain items or income brackets for services that counties may access.	Someone to Talk To Someone to Respond A Safe Place for Help	<b>Sonoma County, Calif.</b> (Pop. 488,863) uses funding from the state Mental Health Services Act, a one percent income tax on personal income in excess of \$1 million per year, to fund its mobile support team.
State bonds	A state bond represents the issuance of debt for a state to undertake long-term construction and development projects, which may enhance county services.	Someone to Talk To Someone to Respond A Safe Place for Help	<b>Multnomah County, Ore.</b> (Pop. 815,428) Commissioners leveraged a state commitment of \$10 million in lottery bonds to help develop the \$26 million Behavioral Health Resource Center.

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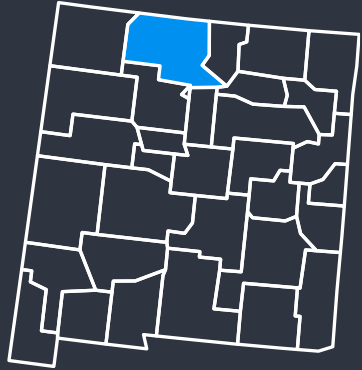
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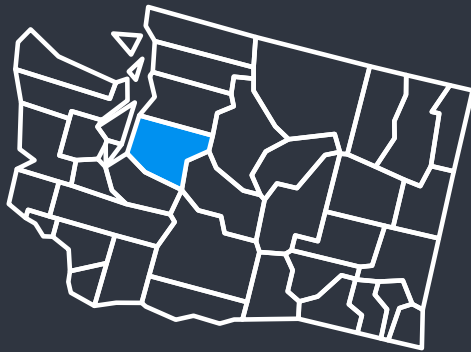
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# Q&A



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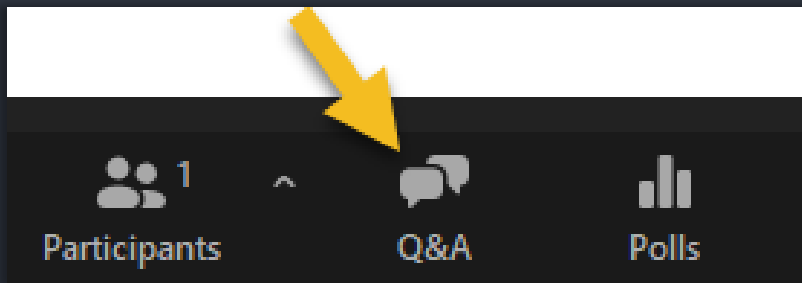
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