

**ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES  
(ADAMHS) BOARD OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 23-09-03**

**APPROVAL OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISIS CENTER**

**WHEREAS**, on January 6, 2023, Governor DeWine signed into law House Bill 45, which appropriated \$90 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (OhioMHAS) to support Ohio's Crisis Infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, for Part 2 of the ARPA funding for \$45 million, OhioMHAS issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) in May of 2023 for Ohio's Crisis Continuum for infrastructure improvements, suitable for one-time capital funding for Behavioral Health Crisis Centers; and

**WHEREAS**, the ADAMHS Board, in collaboration with the MetroHealth System and St. Vincent Charity Community Health Center, submitted a proposal for a Behavioral Health Crisis Center at the St. Vincent's campus and was awarded a total of \$6,836,629; and

**WHEREAS**, the three components to the Behavioral Health Crisis Center capital funding, a 24/7 Crisis Intake/Receiving Center, 24/7 Psychiatric Emergency Services/Department (PES/PED), and 24/7 16-bed Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU), along with startup funding for the MetroHealth System and funding for a project manager are detailed as follows:

1. Crisis Intake/Receiving Center (\$2,182,000): the Crisis Intake/Receiving Center is located near the existing PES/PED in an estimated 2,800 square feet of space. This area will be renovated to house the crisis intake, receiving, triage, and urgent care services that will have a living room-like atmosphere. The Crisis Receiving center space will be on the first floor of the St. Vincent's ambulatory care pavilion. It will include a dedicated entrance with pick-up and drop-off area for individuals presenting on their own or with loved ones, separate from a first responder drop-off point.
2. PES/PED (\$1,467,000): PES/PED will be receiving an aesthetic upgrade, new furnishing, and technological improvements in its approximate 6,200 square feet of space.
3. CSU (\$2,085,000): the CSU will be located on St. Vincent's second floor, immediately above the PES/PED and Crisis Intake/Receiving Center, with nearby elevator access from the Crisis Intake/Receiving Center. The CSU will provide client care for 7-14 individuals. The renovation will be for approximately 10,800 square feet of this space.
4. Startup Funding for the MetroHealth System (\$1,002,629): the MetroHealth System will be delivering the services at the Behavioral Health Crisis Center and will receive startup funding for initial staff recruitment, onboarding, and 4-8 weeks of orientation and training prior to full operation.
5. Project Manager (\$100,000): the ADAMHS Board will contract with a Project Manager to oversee the renovations and deadlines with the capital improvements.

**WHEREAS**, the Planning & Oversight and Finance & Oversight Committees have reviewed ADAMHS Board staff's recommendation and recommend that the Board of Directors approve the Behavioral Health Crisis Center project, accept funding from OhioMHAS in the amount of \$6,836,629 and authorize the ADAMHS Board to enter into any necessary contractual agreements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

1. The ADAMHS Board of Directors approves the Behavioral Health Crisis Center project and accept funding from OhioMHAS in the amount of \$6,836,629 detailed as follow:
  - Crisis Intake/Receiving Center (\$2,182,000): the Crisis Intake/Receiving Center is located near the existing PES/PED in an estimated 2,800 square feet of space. This area will be renovated to house the crisis intake, receiving, triage, and urgent care services that will have a living room-like atmosphere. The Crisis Receiving center space will be on the first floor of the St. Vincent's ambulatory care pavilion. It will include a dedicated entrance with pick-up and drop-off area for individuals presenting on their own or with loved ones, separate from a first responder drop-off point.
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  - Project Manager (\$100,000): the ADAMHS Board will contract with a Project Manager to oversee the renovations and deadlines with the capital improvements.
2. The ADAMHS Board Chief Executive Officer is authorized to execute any necessary contractual agreements.

On the motion of Reginald C. Blue, Ph.D., seconded by Benjamin F. Gohlstin, Sr., the foregoing resolution was adopted.

**AYES:** B. Addison, A. Bhardwaj, R. Blue, G. Boehm, E. Cade, J. Dixon, S. Galloway, B. Gohlstin, P. James-Stewart, K. Kern-Pilch, S. Killpack, H. Snider

**NAYS:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**DATE ADOPTED:** September 27, 2023