



Light the Way Campaign
for the Avera Behavioral Health Center Expansion



Avera Behavioral Health Center - What we do today

- Serving a 5-state region
- Discharging approximately 6,000 patients per year
- Diverting hundreds of patients per year due to shortage of available patient rooms
- Avera McKennan's ER sees 2,500 patients a year who are suffering from a mental health crisis. The ER does not have trained behavioral health clinicians. The future urgent care facility will provide the best in care for their mental health needs.
- 1,500 people annually come to Avera on mental health holds utilizing valuable police time.



Facility Overview

- **Plaza Level:**
 - 24-hour psychiatric urgent care
 - Partial hospitalization – for up to 30 adults and 10 youth
- **First Floor:**
 - Four-bed addition for adults
 - Future expansion





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- **Second Floor:**
 - Senior behavioral health unit
- **Third Floor:**
 - 14-bed child unit addition, which adds to 40 beds in two specialized units already available for patients under age 18
 - Eight beds for youth residential addiction care – a service that is new to Avera

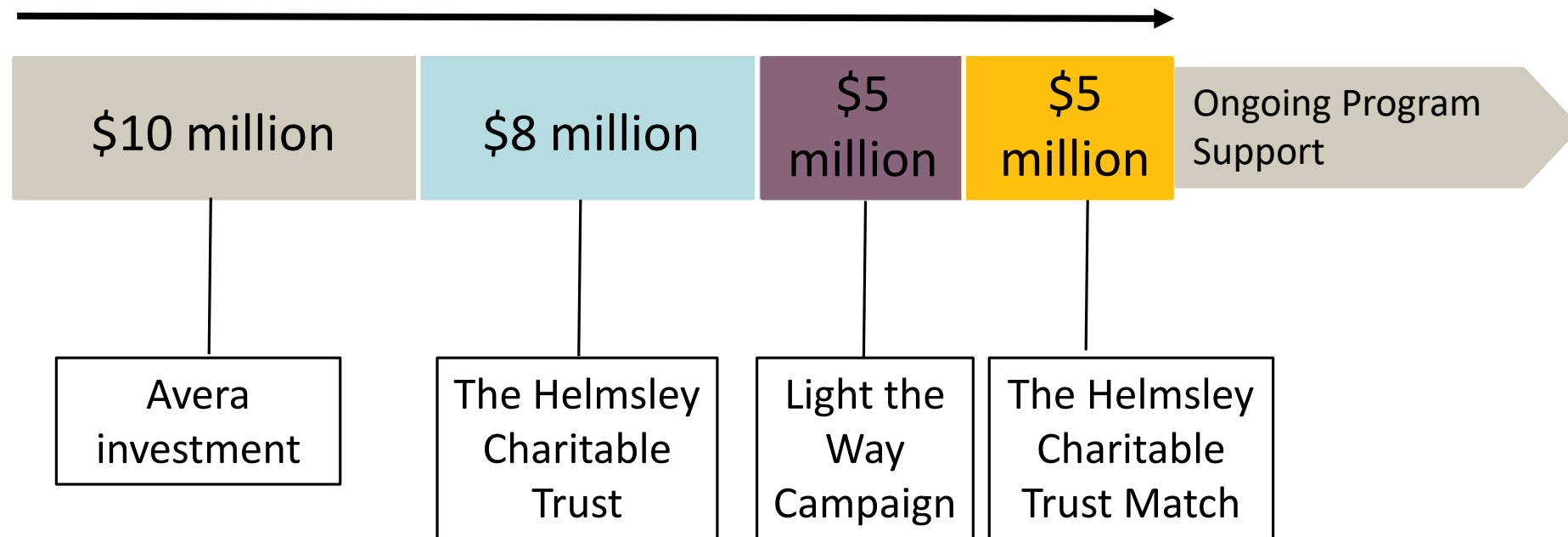


The goal is to increase efficiencies for law enforcement, who presently have to remain with patients in psychiatric crisis for lengthy periods of time until patients secure placement.

- Law enforcement officers become involved when patients need to be placed on a psychiatric hold due to a mental illness that could result in danger to self or others.
- There are approximately 1,500 holds per year and currently, law enforcement officers bring patients to the ER at the Avera Heart Hospital. At least one of the officers will stay up to 2 hours until a patient can be admitted.
- The goal for the new Psychiatric Urgent Care Center will be for officers to stay a maximum of 30 minutes.
- We estimate the City of Sioux Falls will receive a full return of their investment of \$250,000 within 3 years by having a psychiatric urgent care facility at Avera.

Overview

\$28+ million facility project



Ignited by Passionate Leadership

- Jennifer Kirby, co-chair
- Mike Huether, co-chair
- Campaign cabinet
- Campaign clinical leadership





A Passion

“This campaign will save lives.”

“We are honored to support.”

“This is the least we can do for children in our community.”

“I’m humbled to honor my mom, my hero, with this gift.”





What we do for vulnerable children, adults and families defines us.

Today and tomorrow , we will make life better for those in our care – together.





Thank you for your heartfelt generosity and leadership.