

THE 988 IMPLEMENTATION ACT

Someone to Call, Someone to Respond and Somewhere to Go

988 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE ACT

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The *988 Community Infrastructure Act* corresponds to Section 201 of the *988 Implementation Act*.

THE PROBLEM

Mental health providers, emergency response professionals, law enforcement officers, patient advocates, and government agencies are increasingly recognizing the need for services specifically tailored to individuals in mental health crisis. These crisis response programs are a more person-centered and clinically appropriate setting as compared to an emergency room or a carceral setting, yet they do not necessarily rise to the level of inpatient hospitalization for mental health. However, sources of federal funding for capital projects are few and far between, and community partners' resources are already stretched thin.

THE SOLUTION

The ***988 Community Infrastructure Act*** would create a capital projects grant fund to be used for building crisis response programs.

Specifically, this bill:

- Authorizes **\$1 billion** to be available until expended for grants to eligible entities, including health centers, crisis receiving and stabilization programs, or crisis call centers.
- Directs grant funds to be used to **build, renovate, or expand facilities** for the purposes of crisis receiving, stabilization and response programs.
- Requires grant recipients to demonstrate **working relationships with local mental health and substance use care providers** including inpatient and residential treatment settings.