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CALL TO ARTISTS: BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BRIDGE HOUSING

An artist will be selected to create a site-specific public artwork for the Behavioral Health Bridge Housing (BHBH) facility, an innovative, 32-bed center with temporary housing located at 2202 Soquel Ave.

The center will provide comprehensive wraparound services to individuals transitioning out of homelessness. The proposed site-specific artwork should enhance the experience of residents, staff, and facility visitors. Proposal imagery must be appropriate for the facility, which provides a space for treatment and recovery while creating a pathway to long-term housing. For more on the facility, visit www.santacruzhealth.com/bridgehousing.

Proposals must address one of the areas outlined on the site map (attached): 1) fencing facing Soquel Avenue; 2) free-standing sculpture in the courtyard area; or 3) existing guardrail facing Soquel Ave. The budget for the project is \$26,000.

A "Call to Artists," which includes detailed information about the RFP process, plans, images, and a sample contract are available on the County Parks website: https://parks.santacruzcountyca.gov/Home/AboutUs/WorkWithUs/CalltoArtists.aspx.

The deadline for submitting a proposal is September 12, 2025.