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Mead Valley Wellness Village Marks Significant Construction Milestone

MEAD VALLEY, CA (February 19, 2025)—Riverside University Health System (RUHS) joined local leaders today for a topping out ceremony to commemorate a key phase in the development of the 18-acre Wellness Village.

This milestone signals the completion of the project’s structural framework and brings Riverside County one step closer to an innovative healthcare campus that integrates behavioral health services, medical care and social support in one centralized location.

“Each beam that has been placed represents our dedication to creating a future where quality, holistic care is available right in the heart of our communities,” said **Riverside County Supervisor Jose Medina, whose First District includes the project site**. “With the Wellness Village, we’re ensuring that families and individuals have access to a full spectrum of healthcare services without having to leave the community.”

The topping-out ceremony, led by developer [PMB](#) that specializes in building healthcare facilities, featured the ancient practice of placing a tree on top of a new building, and symbolized the hope and promise of a new approach to health that will breathe new life into the local community.

Recognizing the critical role the Wellness Village will play in transforming local healthcare, the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) awarded **more than \$80 million** in grants to RUHS for the construction of this pioneering campus. The Wellness Village concept has been recognized as a statewide model.

“The Wellness Village represents a new era in community healthcare,” said Dr. Matthew Chang, Behavioral Health Director for RUHS. “By combining medical, behavioral and social services under one roof, we are creating an environment that fosters growth in healing, resilience and long-term well-being.”

Set to open in early 2027, Wellness Village will feature Riverside County's first Crisis Residential Treatment and Mental Health Urgent Care for children, offering crucial resources designed to keep local families from having to seek those services outside the area.

The campus will provide an array of behavioral health services, primary and specialty medical care, dental care, substance use disorder treatment, a public pharmacy and on-site accommodations for families while their children undergo treatment.

The state-of-the-art campus will also feature lively, community-centric amenities such as therapeutic green spaces, a public market and a café. With a total project cost of \$580 million, construction and eventual operations are expected to stimulate the local economy through the creation of hundreds of permanent jobs and significant economic activity.

To learn more about the Wellness Village, visit www.ruhealth.org/wellness-village.

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About Riverside University Health System

Riverside University Health System (RUHS) includes a 439-bed Medical Center in Moreno Valley, Calif., 14 Federally Qualified Community Health Centers, and the departments of Public and Behavioral Health. RUHS is Riverside County's safety net provider, offering high-quality, patient-centered care. With more than 8,000 staff members and over 125 years of experience, RUHS continues its commitment to and legacy of delivering exceptional, compassionate care with a focus on public health, behavioral health, community wellness, and medical education.

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