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Compass Behavioral Health Clinic Outpatient Services Will Cease Operations

Janesville, WI - Officials with Compass Behavioral Health Clinic, an outpatient mental health and alcohol and drug abuse counseling clinic located at 1820 Center Avenue in Janesville, announced they will cease operations as of October 27. Compass Behavioral Health Clinic at Center Avenue was established in 2016 as an outpatient extension of Rock Valley Community Programs (RVCP) located at 203 W Sunny Lane in Janesville.

Rock Valley Community Programs, Inc. is a private, non-profit agency that provides residential services for parolees, homeless veterans, and individuals with mental health, substance abuse, and addiction crises. RVCP can serve 183 clients through the Department of Corrections, the Federal Bureau of Prisons, the US Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Rock County Human Services Department.

Dave Hicks, Executive Director of RVCP, said the decision to close was difficult but necessary to ensure the long-term viability of services to the primary residential clients. “Although Compass served a diverse client base, maintaining a separate outpatient mental health clinic became a financial drain on the organization overall.” Most RVCP programs operate on long-term government contracts versus private payor and insurance filings, according to Hicks.

Compass and the programs operated from Center Avenue employ eight therapists and six support staff, who will be laid off. “We will be working with staff and the clients in transitioning their mental health care to other community programs and providers,” Hicks said.

Not impacted by the closure are therapists and support staff who provide behavioral health and AODA services to residents and clients at the Sunny Lane location, according to Hicks. RVCP employs 89 full-time and 32 part-time staff at the Sunny Lane location.

The outpatient clinic is a tenant of the Blackhawk Village Shopping Center on Center Avenue. Full Circle Developments, Inc., a separate company managed by RVCP, owns the shopping center. Full Circle Developments intends to sell the shopping center. “Managing real estate is not our primary expertise, and with Kwik Trip coming to the building next store and with other south side developments, it makes sense for us to exit the commercial real estate business,” Hicks said.