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## Sumiton health care facility to create 25 jobs



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Gov. [Robert Bentley](#) has awarded a \$200,000 grant that will help cover the construction of a health care facility in Sumiton.

When completed, the facility will hire 25 workers.

The [state announced in a news release Monday](#) that the money is coming from a Community Development Block Grant awarded to the city of Sumiton. The grant, the state said, will provide the infrastructure improvements needed for the Jasper-based public nonprofit Northwest Alabama Mental Health Center to build a 10,000-square-foot facility.

A state spokesman told me that the Sumiton facility will be located at 800 Hull Road, but didn't give an exact timeline for the project. The city of Sumiton has pledged \$150,000 for the project.

"This facility will improve the delivery of health services and also will offer additional job opportunities," Bentley said, in a statement. "I am pleased to assist with this important project."

The state said Sumiton will use the block grant funding to expand sewer services for the new facility. The state said the expanded infrastructure could also encourage other businesses to move to the area and create more jobs.

The grant, which is being administered by the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, is coming from the **U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development**.

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