

What was Spent, Breaking Down the \$12 Million Investment: (written by David Daniels for himself)

As I have tried to make clear in previous posts (with links to documents), it is crucial to break down the county's \$12 million investment at Bishop. The attached photos show page 1 of the GMP contracts and the document links provide full, multi-page details:

Phase 1 (Site Work & Utilities): Includes much of the preliminary site work—play yards, fencing, electrical switchgear, landscaping, utilities, security and the 8 concrete pads for the kennel trailers. The site work also includes preparation for Phase 2 (the adoption center).

Cost for Phase 1: \$3,871,024.35

Link to Phase 1 Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP)

Contract <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dOOH5JE6GD37dpfiFXpUxndpJfk4bXqz/view?usp=sharing>

Phase 2 (Adoption Building): This is for a new 5,000 sq. ft. "Adoption Building," which actually functions more like an administration building with a customer service lobby. The utilities, site prep, and foundation for this building were part of Phase 1. This building is nearing completion.

Cost for Phase 2: \$5,840,082.50

Link to Phase 2 GMP Contract https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kq0hhDGm1wXlpokc6sS6jA_i-5ztAHmi/view?usp=sharing

Cost of the Kennels: Finally, there is the cost of the prefabricated kennels which are constructed off-site by Horizon. Horizon offers a limited number of basic models built in 8-12 weeks and trucked in. Like buying a car, there are dozens of "upgrades" available. The 16-kennel model Manatee County purchased has a base price of \$123,530.00 (x 8 = \$988,240.00). The county purchased multiple "upgrades," including 8 Mini Split AC Units (\$8,590.00 each) and 8 single-compartment sinks (\$590.00 each).

Final Cost for the 8 Kennel Trailers: \$1,840,280.00 Link to Kennel

Invoice <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Mur2SY7fnUXCEJNdjgXfWzFhgyIKyOnU/view?usp=sharing>

TOTAL CONSTRUCTION INVESTMENT = \$11,551,386.85

(Note: The county also claims they have spent nearly \$1 million in design costs, but I do not currently have documentation for that.)

Keep in mind that the site already featured a state-of-the-art, nearly 25,000-square-foot medical and intake facility when the Bishop Parker Foundation (SPCA) donated the property to the county in late 2021/early 2022.

What Advocates Are Actually Asking For:

Based on the breakdown above, it is clear that advocates are not asking to throw away \$12 million. The nearly \$6 million Phase 2 Adoption/Administration Building is needed and would remain. The utilities, play yards, fencing, and much of the Phase 1 site work would remain as well.

As stated above, the site already contains an upgraded medical facility fully equipped with a surgical suite, digital X-ray room, and isolation rooms prior to the county taking over.

Volunteers and advocates are simply pointing out (with evidence) that the kennel trailers are unworkable and should be replaced with a proper brick-and-mortar kennel building—one built to a similar construction standard as the new adoption/administration building.