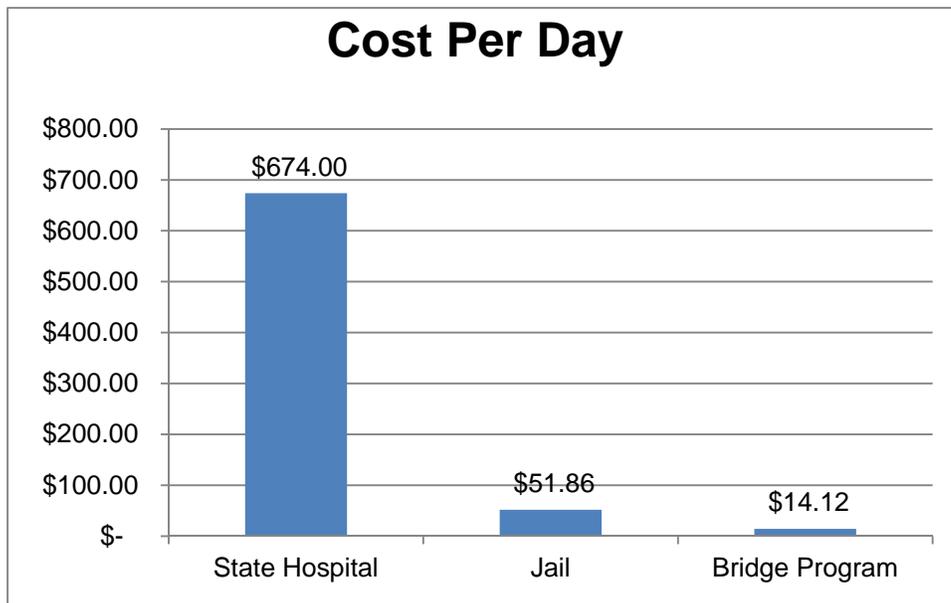


## New River Valley Bridge Program<sup>1</sup>

The Bridge Program operates at intercept two. It is designed as a collaboration among the courts, community corrections, two local jails and the CSB to identify, screen and refer qualifying individuals within 48 hours of booking. Clients participate in a comprehensive treatment and case management programs that utilizes specialized forensic and trauma informed services.

The Bridge Program kept 55 individuals out of jail and in the community for a total 13, 299 days. Collectively individuals were enrolled in the program for 13,453 days. This total is equal to an average of 228 days per client or 7.6 months. At the target arrest, the offense occurring immediately before enrollment into the Bridge Program, the client collectively had a total of 128 separate charges or an average of 3 per person. Together they had spent a total 661 days in jail immediately before enrollment or an average of 11 days per client. Thirty-one percent of the target arrests were misdemeanors and 69% were felonies. A total of 196 charges were reported in the 12 months prior to intervention along with a total of 1,091 days spent in jail. This is on average 3.56 charges per client and 19.8 days spent in jail. In the 12 months following enrollment in the Bridge, a total 56 charges were reported and 154 days spent in jail. This is on average 1.02 charges per client and 2.8 days spent in jail. The differences between the pre- and post-intervention of total charges and days spent in jail represent a 71% and 86% reduction respectively.



### Daily Cost Comparison to Serve Individuals in Hospital, Local Jail and Bridge Program

**State Hospital:** Represents the average daily cost for acute admissions treatment at Southwest Virginia Mental Health Institute (SWVMHI)

**Jail:** Represents the average daily cost for housing an inmate with mental illness in the Montgomery County Jail and the New River Valley Regional Jail

**Bridge Program:** Represents the average daily cost of treatment for individuals enrolled and receiving services through the Bridge Program

<sup>1</sup> All data and analysis provided by the New River Valley Bridge Program; certain data provided as requirement of participation in 10 site CSB Jail Diversion Cohort