Quick Facts

**Administrator:** Becky Hansen

**Chief of Medical Staff:** Dr. Forrest Lanchbury

**Board Chair:** Gary Brennan

**City Population:** 1,706 (2014 estimate)

**County Population:** 3,247 (2014 estimate)

**County Median Household Income:** $56,964 (2013 estimate)

**County Median Age:** 45.5 years (2013 estimate)

**Service Area Population:** 3,280 miles

**Owned by:** Non-Profit

**Hospital Beds:** 23

**Skilled Nursing Facility Beds:** 40

**Independent Living Apts:** 12

**Assisted Living Apts:** 12

**Trauma Level:** IV

**Critical Access Hospital Designation:** 2001

**Economic Impact on the County**

**Employment:**
- Primary – 196
- Secondary – 98
- Total – 294

**Financial Impact:**
- Primary – $6.4 million
- Secondary – $3.2 million
- Total – $9.6 million

*The impact of jobs and expenditures generated by the hospital within the community was estimated using payroll information and an economic multiplier of 1.5.*

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**Mission**

Guided by faith-based leadership, we are a family of specialists, each performing a unique service. With a spirit of compassion, we provide excellence in healthcare to those we are privileged to serve. Our vision is to distinguish ourselves as a unified healthcare family commanding excellence from each other in providing personalized care.

**County:** Bowman

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Bowman, ND  58623

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Southwest Healthcare Services is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing quality healthcare for the residents of southwest North Dakota and the northwest corner of South Dakota. Located in Bowman, North Dakota, Southwest Healthcare Services is comprised of six facilities in separate locations which include: a 23 bed critical access hospital, a 40 bed long-term care facility, 12 independent living apartments, a 12 unit assisted living facility, a rural health clinic, and emergency ambulance services.

**Services**

Southwest Healthcare Services provides the following services directly:

- 24-hour Emergency Room
- Level IV Trauma
- Radiology
- Physical and Occupational Therapy
- Acute Care
- Swing Bed
- Pharmacy
- Respiratory Therapy
- Dietetic Service
- Laboratory
- Swingbed Activities
- Pulmonary Rehabilitation
- Cardiac Rehabilitation
- Sleep Studies
- Social Services
### Staffing

**Physicians:** 3  
**Nurse Practitioners:** 1  
**PAs:** 1  
**RNs & LPNs:** 28  
**Total Employees:** 196

### Local Sponsors and Grant Funding Sources

- Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota  
- Burlington Resources  
- Burlington Northern Santa Fe Foundation  
- City of Bowman  
- Center for Rural Health  
  - SHIP Grant (Small Hospital Improvement Program)  
  - Flex Grant (Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility Grant Program)  
- County of Bowman  
- Dakota West RC & D  
- March of Dimes  
- Midcontinent Media Foundation  
- Nellie J. Svee Grant  
- North Dakota Community Foundation  
- North Dakota Department of Emergency Services  
- North Dakota Department of Health  
- North Dakota Department of Human Services  
- North Dakota Emergency Management  
- North Dakota Oil & Gas Impact Grants  
- North Dakota Workforce Safety  
- Southwest Regional Grant Program  
- State Homeland Security Grant  
- Sunrise Foundation  

### Sources

1 US Census Bureau; American Factfinder; Community Facts

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### North Dakota Critical Access Hospitals

![Map of North Dakota Critical Access Hospitals](attachment:image)

### History

In 1945, the communities in Bowman and Slope Counties realized there was a need for organized health services. In July 1946, a city block in the west side of Bowman was donated for the location of a hospital. Area residents rallied together, coming up with innovative fundraising methods to pay for the construction of the hospital and necessary medical equipment.

Through the efforts of many, the dedication ceremony for the opening of the hospital was held on May 12, 1951, with Governor Norman Brunsdale cutting the ribbon and opening the doors for their first patients.

Over the next 55 years, local healthcare has grown from a hospital to an entire healthcare system. Dedicated staff, administration and volunteers have worked diligently to ensure that quality healthcare remains a vital part in Bowman and surrounding communities.

### Recreation

Bowman, located in southwestern North Dakota, is just 80 miles from an urban shopping center. The Bowman school system provides an excellent education for students K-12, offering a comprehensive program for all students including foreign languages, advanced science, math electives, computer education and special education programs. The Black Hills of South Dakota, a popular tourist attraction, is just 100 miles south. This area is not only a popular summer recreation spot, but also provides skiing in the wintertime. Theodore Roosevelt National Park is about an hour and a half to the north. Picnicking, hiking and several freshwater dams and lakes are within a short distance. Recreational facilities also include a 9-hole grass-greens golf course, Olympic size swimming pool, tennis courts, farming, ranching, rodeos, paleontology and hunting.

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