

Timeline of Hospital Service in Bastrop

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- 1921: Bryson Sanitarium opened by Dr. J. Gordon Bryson at 1109 Church St.¹
 - Previously to the sanitarium, Dr. Bryson operated out of "the old Judge Garwood house,"² which was located at 605 Spring St.³
 - The property was purchased for medical services by seven local businessmen,² including Dr. Bryson.³
- 1924: Updated by Dr. Bryson and local community members to a "modern hospital" and renamed F.A. Orgain Memorial Hospital¹
 - Still located at 1109 Church St.¹
- 1930's: Dr. Bryson buys up the stock for the Orgain Memorial Hospital and becomes the sole owner.²
- 1947: Dr. Bryson sells F.A. Orgain Memorial Hospital to Dr. R.W. Loveless and Dr. C.G. Goddard¹
 - Dr. Bryson remained for a time as consulting physician¹
 - Interior remodeled to make room for new equipment¹
- Unknown year, but sometime after 1948: Bastrop Clinic opened by xx in connection with F.A. Orgain Memorial Hospital⁴
- 1958: Bastrop Pharmacy, formerly in Bastrop Clinic, moves to a new location.⁵
- March 1968: F.A. Orgain Memorial Hospital still located at 1109 Church St.⁶
- April 1968: Bastrop Hospital Authority mentioned in Bastrop Advertiser⁷
- July 25, 1968: Bastrop Memorial Hospital opened⁸
 - Not privately run, but a community enterprise⁶
 - Non-profit institution⁹
 - Bastrop Memorial Hospital opened (formerly under Bastrop Hospital Authority)
- March 1969: Bastrop Memorial Hospital now located at Loop 150 W¹⁰
- April 1972: Bastrop Clinic is no longer open on Saturdays.¹¹

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¹ "Local Hospital Progresses with Bastrop." *Bastrop Advertiser*, no. 11, 18 May 1950, p. 7. *Portal to Texas History*.

² Hickman, J. Troy. "An Elect Lady—" *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 120, no. 41, 6 December 1973, p. 7. *Portal to Texas History*.

³ Leonard, C.R. "First Hospital in 1924." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 128, no. 32, 18 June 1981, p. 33. *Portal to Texas History*.

⁴ "1400 Guests Congratulate Citizens Bank of Bastrop on Their Golden Anniversary Held This Week." *Bastrop Advertiser*, no. 50, 12 February 1959, vol. 106, p. 8. *Portal to Texas History*.

⁵ "Dr. Funderburk Builds New Office." *Bastrop Advertiser*, no. 15, 12 June 1958, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

⁶ "Hospitals." Bastrop, Texas Telephone Directory. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, March 1968.

⁷ "Bastrop Hospital Authority Donations." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 115, no. 7, 18 April 1968, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

⁸ "This Is Your Hospital on Guard for You!" *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 116, no. 1, 15 May 1968, p. 4. *Portal to Texas History*.

⁹ Standifer, Amy S. "Salmagundi." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 116, no. 49, 5 February 1970, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

¹⁰ "Hospitals." Bastrop, Texas Telephone Directory. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, March 1969.

¹¹ "Clinic to Close on Saturdays." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 119, no. 7, 13 April 1972, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

- November 1, 1979: Bastrop Clinic moves from 1109 Church St. to “Bastrop Hospital Clinic” next to the Bastrop Memorial Hospital.¹² The new address is 106 Loop 150 W.¹³
 - The purpose of the Clinic was to “provide a first class medical office facility to encourage more doctors to practice in Bastrop[,] which[,] in turn[,] would increase use of the public hospital.”¹⁴
- Late 1980: Bastrop Memorial Hospital and Clinic rejoined and called “Bastrop Hospital Clinic.”¹⁵
- June 1981: The old F.A. Orgain Memorial Hospital, which had been the sight of the Bastrop Clinic until 1979, is sold and remodeled into apartments.¹⁶
- April 1981: A plan to link Bastrop Memorial Hospital with Houston-based Memorial Hospital System was proposed to provide some professional consulting in order to “improve the [Bastrop Memorial H]ospital’s worsening cash position.”¹⁷
 - Aug. 1981: The cash flow is critical. According to the Bastrop Advertiser, it is largely because Medicare was “going through a computer change,’ which has delayed government reimbursements since last November (8 months previously).”¹⁸
 - March 1982: Bastrop Memorial Hospital administration has been taken over by Houston Memorial Systems.¹⁹
- 1985: Bastrop Memorial Hospital taken over by “Louisiana ‘management’ firm”
- 1987: Bastrop Memorial Hospital closed
- January 1988: Bastrop Regional Medical Center opened
- August 1988: Bastrop Regional Medical Center closed
- September 5, 1988: Bastrop Medical Clinic is still open²⁰
- January 23, 1989: Bastrop “won’t have a tax supported hospital district” as decided by county commissioners.²¹
 - “Bastrop is unlikely to have one anytime in the foreseeable future.”
- December 1989: Concerned citizens are still trying to figure out how to have advanced medical assistance in Bastrop.²²

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¹² “Rules Set for New Clinic.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, no. 68, 25 October 1979, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

¹³ McAuley, Davis. “Bastrop Sells Hospital Clinic.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 137, no. 89, 10 January 1991, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

¹⁴ “Bastrop’s New Medical Clinic to Hold Open House on Sunday.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, no. 93, ed. 1, 24 January 1980, p. 4-5. *Portal to Texas History*.

¹⁵ Leonard, C.R. “First Hospital in 1924.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 128, no. 32, 18 June 1981, p. 33. *Portal to Texas History*.

¹⁶ Leonard, C.R. “First Hospital in 1924.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 120, no. 41, 6 December 1973, p. 7. *Portal to Texas History*.

¹⁷ “Houston Hospital Offers Deal.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 128, no. 17, 27 April 1981, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

¹⁸ “Cash Flow Hits ‘Critical Point’ at Bastrop’s Hospital.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, no. 49, 17 August 1981, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

¹⁹ “Doctors Moving Ahead on Building Own Clinic.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, no. 9, 29 March 1982, p. 7. *Portal to Texas History*.

²⁰ “Clinic Still Open.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 135, no. 54, ed. 1, 5 September 1988, p. 2. *Portal to Texas History*.

²¹ “For Medical Care, What’s Next?” *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 135, no. 95, 26 January 1989, p. 4. *Portal to Texas History*.

²² McAuley, Davis. “Hospital’s Future.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 136, no. 87, 28 December 1989, p. 1-2. *Portal to Texas History*.

- January 1991: Bastrop Hospital Clinic is sold to Dr. B.J. Marshall²³
 - "This is the first part of the former Bastrop Hospital Authority property to go to a private party."²¹ Marshall had had his office in the space since the Clinic had closed in 1988.²¹
 - "City hopes to sell off the hospital building and undeveloped adjoining land."²¹
 - "Plans for mental health and state health department clinics to occupy part of the hospital are moving forward. MH-MR officials could move in as early as this week."²¹
- January 1998: Smithville Regional Hospital will open a new Bastrop clinic (in the city of Bastrop)²⁴ at 441 Hwy. 71 W.²⁵
- March 1998: Smithville Regional Hospital's Bastrop clinic is a work-in-progress. The clinic will be housed in the "old Wal-Mart building."²⁶
 - "Doctors currently employed at Smithville Regional will use the facility as a weekend clinic and small emergency room."²⁷ Physicians from St. David's Partnership will also lease some space."²⁸
- March 1998: Bastrop City Council agrees to build a new police headquarters and municipal court building on property that had previously held Bastrop Memorial Hospital on Hospital Road.²⁹
- November 18, 1998: New Bastrop Medical Center, operated by Smithville Regional Hospital, is officially open.³⁰
 - In the space will be local physicians, leased offices to Columbia St. David's Healthcare System for a cardiologist and urologist, labs and x-ray services, and an administrator.³¹
 - This new Bastrop Medical Center gives "Bastrop services it has been without for more than a decade."³²
- 2000-2006 issues of *The Bastrop Advertiser* have not been digitized.
- June 2007: Advertisement for "Bastrop Medical Clinic" at 195 Hasler, Suite B-1 that provides "after-hours Urgent Care," "comprehensive care," and "x-ray service" for "adults and pediatrics" is run in the *Bastrop Advertiser* for several years.³³

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²³ McAuley, Davis. "Bastrop Sells Hospital Clinic." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 137, no. 89, 10 January 1991, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

²⁴ Suchomel, Jason. "Partner Sought." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 144, no. 105, 28 February 1998, p. 1-2. *Portal to Texas History*.

²⁵ "Smithville Regional Hospital" advertisement. Yellow Pages: Bastrop. SBC, July 2004.

²⁶ Suchomel, Jason. "Smithville Hospital Board to Review Plans for Bastrop Clinic." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 145, no. 6, 21 March 1998, p. 1-2. *Portal to Texas History*.

²⁷ Suchomel, Jason. "Plans Completed for Bastrop Medical Clinic." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 145, no. 19, 7 May 1998, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

²⁸ Suchomel, Jason. "Bids Awarded for Bastrop Medical Clinic." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 145, no. 41, 18 July 1998, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

²⁹ "Police Site Picked." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 145, no. 7, ed. 1, 26 March 1998, pg. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

³⁰ Magee, Keith. "Medical Center to Meet Bastrop's Growing Needs." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 145, no. 76, 21 November 1998, p. 1-2. *Portal to Texas History*.

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³² Magee, Keith. "Medical Center to Meet Bastrop's Growing Needs." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 145, no. 76, 21 November 1998, p. 1-2. *Portal to Texas History*.

³³ "Make Us Your Medical Home." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 154, no. 30, ed. 1, 9 June 2007, p. 11A. *Portal to Texas History*.

- It is unclear if it is related to hospital care services from the 1980's and earlier, but likely not.
- December 2008: Smithville Regional Hospital purchased one acre of land at the corner of Hasler Blvd. and Old Austin Hwy, at Mimi G's Steakhouse³⁴
- April 2009: Smithville Regional Hospital services include several locations and medical care services within the city of Bastrop:
 - Bastrop Medical Center at 441 Hwy. 71
 - Bastrop Physical Therapy and Fitness Center at 499 Old Austin Hwy.³⁵
 - This address opened in July 2009.³⁶
 - RiverBend Medical Group at 441 Highway 71 West, Ste. C³⁷
- July 2009: Bastrop Physical Therapy and Fitness Center
- November 2009: Smithville Regional Hospital is in talks to purchase land on Old Austin Highway, near Bastrop Intermediate School, to build new clinical offices for Bastrop Medical Center, which is still located at 441 Texas 71 West.³⁸
 - With the new offices, Smithville Regional "will eventually be able to move their outpatient offices out of the Bastrop Medical Clinic at 441 Texas 71 West and into their own facility."³⁹
 - Currently, "the Smithville hospital leases the space in Bastrop Medical Clinic that houses labs and x-ray facilities and the Riverbend Clinic."⁴⁰
- June 2013: "Seton" is added to the official name of Smithville Regional Hospital for the first time.⁴¹ It's also added to the other buildings/services.⁴²
- July 2013: Construction begins on Lone Star Circle of Care at 605 Old Austin Highway. It "will be a multi-service clinic for the 18,000 uninsured and underinsured residents in Bastrop and surrounding areas." This health care center is a collaboration between Seton Healthcare Family and Lone Star Circle of Care.⁴³
 - Seton Health Care Family had been providing in-patient and outpatient health services to Bastrop county for two years "through Seton Smithville Regional Hospital and surrounding clinics and health centers."⁴⁴

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³⁴ Davis, Jacqueline. "Smithville Hospital Adds to Bastrop Land." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 155, no. 90, ed. 1, 3 January 2009, p. 3A. *Portal to Texas History*.

³⁵ "Smithville Regional Hospital [ad]." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 156, no. 15, ed. 1, 23 April 2009, p. 9. *Portal to Texas History*.

³⁶ Wilson, Christopher. "Smithville Hospital Relocates Bastrop Physical Therapy Center." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 156, no. 42, ed. 1, 25 July 2009, p. 3. *Portal to Texas History*.

³⁷ "Smithville Regional Hospital [ad]." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 156, no. 15, ed. 1, 23 April 2009, p. 9. *Portal to Texas History*.

³⁸ "Ross, Andy. "Hospital Plans for New Offices." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 156 no. 72, ed. 1, 7 November 2009, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

³⁹ "Ross, Andy. "Hospital Plans for New Offices." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 156 no. 72, ed. 1, 7 November 2009, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

⁴⁰ "Ross, Andy. "Hospital Plans for New Offices." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 156 no. 72, ed. 1, 7 November 2009, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

⁴¹ "Cowboys and Caviar 2013 Was a Huge Success." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 160, no. 38, ed. 1, 13 June 2013, p. 5. *Portal to Texas History*.

⁴² Acosta, Sarah. "Agency Earns Top Designation." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 160, no. 97, ed. 1, 9 January 2014, p. 4. *Portal to Texas History*.

⁴³ Acosta, Sarah. "Medical Facility Breaks Ground." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 160, no. 44, ed. 1, 4 July 2013, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

⁴⁴ Acosta, Sarah. "Medical Facility Breaks Ground." *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 160, no. 44, ed. 1, 4 July 2013, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.

- January 2014: Bluebonnet Trails Community Services opens its doors at 275 Jackson St., providing “an integrated health clinic with medical, dental, and behavioral health services.”
 - Funded by St. David’s Foundation-Austin, Bluebonnet Trails works in cooperation with Community Health Centers of South Central Texas.⁴⁵
- June 2014: In 2010, Seton Smithville had 36 beds, but in 2014, there were only ten after the ICU was closed and other services were reduced.
 - In addition, “the hospital has seen its 24-hour emergency room patient intake plummet since the opening of St. David’s emergency department in Bastrop in 2012.”⁴⁶
- 2015 issues of the *Bastrop Advertiser* and beyond have not been digitized as of 12/25/22.

⁴⁵ Wright, Cyndi. “Healthcare for All a Reality.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 161, no. 2, ed. 1, 8 February 2014, p. 18. *Portal to Texas History*.

⁴⁶ Gardner, Wes. “Seton Smithville Prepares for Layoffs.” *Bastrop Advertiser*, vol. 161, no. 35, ed. 1, 5 June 2014, p. 1. *Portal to Texas History*.