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NO JAIL IN TOTEM LAKE!! This would be crowded into an area that is full of schools, churches, family-oriented retail outlets, medical facilities, as well as many residential neighborhoods. This would certainly cause people to move away from the area as well as make it difficult to attract new home buyers leading to a further decline in the downward slumping real estate market we are currently experiencing. People in this area are hoping for shopping and restaurants adjacent to the medical facility, NOT a jail full of criminals flowing in and out next to where we live, shop, go to school and receive our healthcare!!! The potential for the increase of crime in the greater area is enough to make many people want to leave --- THIS PERCEPTION IS DESTRUCTIVE TO A HEALTHY, VIBRANT COMMUNITY--- DON'T UNDERESTIMATE NEGATIVE PUBLIC OPINION IN THIS MATTER!

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All the money spend on making more jails could be spend on qualified staff to train, educate, monitor/followup with offenders of lesser crimes. It costs more in jail then out of jail training. There needs to be more education required for this generation and the last.