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Friends are there for us when times are difficult and we need someone to be with us in our turmoil. Over the last few years, the need for friendship and companionship has been acutely felt... especially by those children and families experiencing a mental health crisis. Coming to Intermountain, those in crisis find not only a mental health organization with clinical expertise and excellence in delivery of services, they find compassion and friendship for the journey towards health. They find *healing through healthy relationships*.

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