

**Department:** Joint Office of Homeless Services      **Program Contact:** Marc Jolin  
**Program Offer Type:** Innovative/New Program      **Program Offer Stage:** As Requested  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:** In Target

**Executive Summary**

With Metro Supportive Housing Services Measure (Measure) funding that is dedicated to reducing homelessness through strategies that lead with racial equity, this program offer funds tenant-based permanent supportive housing (PSH) programs that launched in FY 22. The program offer includes PSH specifically designed to meet the needs of BIPOC communities, people with significant behavioral health needs, and older adults.

**Program Summary**

The Multnomah County Local Implementation Plan (LIP) for the Measure sets out a range of strategies to reduce homelessness by increasing permanent housing and wrap around services for those experiencing, or at risk of, chronic homelessness and episodic homelessness. In alignment with priorities outlined in the LIP, this program offer funds at least 230 new tenant-based permanent supportive housing (PSH) opportunities.

PSH is for those who would not be successful in their housing without supportive services, and for whom services would be less effective without stable housing. It serves those with significant disabilities, including chronic health conditions, mental illness, and addictions, who have experienced or are at risk of experiencing chronic homelessness. Tenant-based supportive housing provides households with a rental voucher that can be used to buy-down rent in a private market or regulated unit along with mobile, wrap-around services. This program offer funds PSH programming specifically designed to meet the needs of BIPOC communities, people with significant behavioral health needs, and older adults.

The programs funded by this program offer include rental assistance provided through the Regional Long-term Rent Assistance (RLRA) program administered by Home Forward, and services provided by a range of nonprofit partners. RLRA operates similarly to HUD's Section 8 program—households pay about 30% of their income towards rent and utilities and the housing authority pays the rest. RLRA was intentionally designed to be low barrier and serve people who are often screened out of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 8 program.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer
Output	Number of people newly placed or retained in permanent housing	N/A	200	115	230
Outcome	Percentage of people not returning to homeless services within a year of exiting a program to housing	N/A	80%	80%	80%
Output	BIPOC placed or retained rate as high or higher than percent of HUD homeless population	N/A	Yes	Yes	Yes

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Requested General Fund	Requested Other Funds
	2022	2022	2023	2023
<b>Program Expenses</b>				
Contractual Services	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$6,542,193
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$6,542,193</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>		<b>\$6,542,193</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$6,542,193
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$6,542,193</b>

Explanation of Revenues

Metro Supportive Housing Services \$6,542,193

Significant Program Changes

**Last Year this program was:** FY 2022: 30400D Supportive Housing - Metro Measure Expansion - Countywide

In FY 2022, this program offer was Supportive Housing Metro Measure Expansion - Countywide Coordination. The programs in that program offer have been budgeted in 30407A - C to allow for greater visibility into the investments being made in programming across different County departments. This program offer now includes tenant-based Supportive Housing programming that was previously budgeted in 30400B - Supportive Housing - Metro Measure Expansion, 30304B Housing Placement & Retention - Seniors - Metro Measure Expansion, and 30700A - Housing Placement & Retention - COVID-19 Recovery-Placements out of Shelter-Metro Measure Investment. This consolidation was done to better reflect the core elements of the related programs.