

**Department:** County Human Services      **Program Contact:** Erin Grahek  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating Program      **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

Aging, Disability & Veterans Services Division (ADVSD) provides older adults, people with disabilities, and Veterans with equitable and efficient access to quality services and programs that meet their diverse needs and expectations. The Safety Net Program provides emergency funds which help prevent eviction, and housing stability services to secure clean and safe housing. The program also provides bed bug mitigation, medical equipment, dental subsidies, and prescription support to those with no other financial means to prevent health decline, increase independence, and improve quality of life.

**Program Summary**

**ISSUE:** Older adults, people with disabilities, and Veterans may be unable to attain or retain housing, medical equipment, dentures, and prescription medication due to limited financial resources, lack of insurance coverage, limited mobility, and other health and public health factors.

**PROGRAM GOAL:** The first goal of the Safety Net Program is to support and maintain safe and stable housing for older adults, people with disabilities, and Veterans who are experiencing homelessness or are at risk of losing their housing, through emergency housing assistance and services. The second goal is to increase independence and prevent health decline by ensuring individuals get their prescribed treatments through emergency medical and prescription assistance. The third goal is to reduce nutrition barriers, experienced by older adults and people with disabilities, by providing denture assistance. Collectively, these three goals provide services and supports to address significant gaps experienced by older adults with low incomes and people with disabilities.

**PROGRAM ACTIVITY:** The Safety Net Program is part of the access and early intervention continuum of ADVSD services and receives requests from numerous sources within Multnomah County and from community partners. The Aging & Disability Resource Connection Helpline contact center is the primary access point for these services. The Safety Net Program provides direct housing assistance by facilitating housing support services such as extreme cleaning and bedbug mitigation. The Safety Net program provides financial assistance for special medical needs, such as dentures, eyeglasses, and other durable medical equipment not covered by Medicaid, Medicare, or other programs, to ensure individuals are able to get their prescribed treatments and prevent health decline. Short-term emergency prescription assistance is provided to cover the cost of medications and help to develop a long-term prescription coverage plan.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY17 Actual	FY18 Purchased	FY18 Estimate	FY19 Offer
Output	# of people who received Safety Net services	584	485	584	575
Outcome	% of participants in stable housing six months after receiving services	95%	94%	95%	95%
Outcome	% of fulfilled requests for medical needs assistance	79%	82%	79%	82%
Outcome	% of requests for Safety Net services fulfilled to avert eviction	83%	77%	83%	85%

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2018	2018	2019	2019
Personnel	\$150,441	\$0	\$154,028	\$0
Contractual Services	\$573,731	\$0	\$566,106	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$1,789	\$0
Internal Services	\$18,553	\$0	\$20,836	\$0
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$742,725</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$742,759</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$742,725</b>		<b>\$742,759</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	1.50	0.00	1.50	0.00

Program Revenues				
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2018: 25036 ADVSD Safety Net Services