

Department: County Human Services **Program Contact:** Peggy Samolinski
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Proposed
Related Programs: 25133A
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Everyone deserves safe and stable housing. Housing Stabilization for Vulnerable Populations provides rent assistance and housing placement to vulnerable households including for people whose housing is vulnerable and are at high risk for homelessness. This offer restores partial funding for the Housing Stabilization Team - services that help people avoid becoming homeless by providing housing stabilization services, eviction prevention, and ongoing assistance for people engaged in County programs.

Program Summary

ISSUE: People often need supports to maintain stable housing, particularly those who have low or fixed incomes. In 2015, the overall rent growth in Portland was an average of 8-9% - one of the highest in the nation. In 2017, after years of significant rent increases, it has decreased to 2%. In addition, communities of color comprise the majority of renter households and are over-represented within the homeless population.

PROGRAM GOAL: Housing Stabilization program strives to prevent homelessness by keeping currently engaged County program participants stably housed or helping those who are evicted from stable housing to locate and secure new housing; this program helps people avoid homelessness.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: Housing Stability Team provides supports to stabilize housing for people engaged in County programs. Services include eviction prevention, housing stabilization, Assertive Engagement case management, landlord retention services, utility payments, short-term rent assistance, and move-in flexible funds. This partially restored County General Funding will augment some state Emergency Housing Assistance funds that will also be used for this project for FY2021.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budgeted	FY20 Estimate	FY21 Offer
Output	Number of individuals served	370	370	370	275
Outcome	Percent of individuals' who remain stably housed 6 months after support	N/A	N/A	N/A	80%

Performance Measures Descriptions

*Output for FY2021 has been reduced in anticipation of higher rent assistance amounts that may be needed by participants given the economic crisis. The outcome is new for FY2021.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2020	2020	2021	2021
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$237,500	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$237,500	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$237,500	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: