

Department: County Human Services

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Program Offer Type: Operating

Program Offer Stage: Adopted

Related Programs: 25130

Program Characteristics:
Program Description

ISSUE: Families experiencing poverty often struggle to find the services and support they need to achieve housing and economic stability. Systems can be challenging to navigate and often lack the flexibility to meet the unique needs of families.

PROGRAM GOAL: MSI addresses the need to recognize that families are experts in their own lives and know what they need and want for themselves. By providing culturally responsive and flexible services to help them achieve the personal, professional and educational goals they select, this program empowers families and is a key to family and community stability.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: Culturally specific and responsive services are delivered by contracted partner staff using an Assertive Engagement approach. This model recognizes the individual as the expert in their own life and instills hope. MSI offers families a selection of services and supports to choose from. Families identify their interests, strengths, choices, and goals and are connected with resources and services that help them increase and maintain financial and housing stability. The activities of the MSI program include assisting families in stabilizing and securing housing; providing access to short term rent assistance; making connections to legal clinic services; providing Assertive Engagement case management; connecting families to natural supports in the community like support groups and school programs; connecting people to job training, income and asset creation, and flexible funds.

Culturally specific providers play a critical role in supporting families to navigate complex systems. Services provided through MSI ensure that families, including those from Black, Indigenous, and People of Color communities, have the tools and resources needed to maintain economic stability.

This offer also includes Supportive Housing Services (SHS) funding for 140 long term rent assistance vouchers that are made available to MSI participant households through Home Forward.

PROGRAM OUTPUTS:

- Provides case management to families in the MSI program to remove barriers that impact stability.
- Connects families to resources and supports them in obtaining their work, education and financial goals.
- Provides support to families by connecting them to short term rental assistance and legal navigation.
- Provides a variety of financial assistance that supports individuals in achieving self-sufficiency.
- Provides 140 long term rent vouchers to promote housing stability.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target
Output	Number of households served in MSI case management ¹	500	480	480	440
Output	Households served obtain and maintain adequate housing and a suitable living environment	90%	75%	75%	75%

Performance Measures Descriptions

¹FY 2026 Target is lower due to reduction in federal Community Services Block Grant funding.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026
Personnel	\$277,567	\$203,321	\$293,698	\$61,188
Contractual Services	\$2,943,873	\$5,713,867	\$3,254,300	\$4,717,111
Materials & Supplies	\$6,480	\$0	\$26,480	\$0
Internal Services	\$64,491	\$29,929	\$64,320	\$8,811
Total GF/non-GF	\$3,292,411	\$5,947,117	\$3,638,798	\$4,787,110
Program Total:	\$9,239,528		\$8,425,908	
Program FTE	1.67	1.33	1.67	0.33

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,167,557	\$0	\$919,595
Total Revenue	\$0	\$1,167,557	\$0	\$919,595

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$8,811 in indirect revenues.

\$3,867,515 - Supportive Housing Services (SHS) Fund 1521. Tax revenues are budgeted in the Homeless Services Department program 30999 Supportive Housing Services Revenue for Other Departments.

\$632,038 - OHCSO Community Services Block Grant (Federal)

\$287,557 - OHCSO Housing Stabilization Program (Federal)

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2025: 25139A YFS - Multnomah Stability Initiative (MSI)

This program combines 25139A and 25139B YFS - Multnomah Stability Initiative (MSI) - Supportive Housing Services from FY 2025.

Decreased Supportive Housing Services (SHS) Fund by \$900k and 1.00 FTE Program Specialist from prior year.

Reallocated \$242,474 in General Fund from program YFS - Successful Families (25137) to this program to support wage increases at community-based organizations that support the SUN Service System.