



**Program #25139B - YFS - Multnomah Stability Initiative (MSI) - SHS** FY 2025 Department Requested

**Department:** County Human Services **Program Contact:** Rachel Pearl  
**Program Offer Type:** Operating **Program Offer Stage:** Department Requested  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:** In Target

**Executive Summary**

Multnomah County’s Metro Supportive Housing Services Measure (Measure) Local Implementation Plan (LIP) calls out the importance of aligning the work of multiple County departments around the commitment to preventing and ending homelessness. This program offer provides Measure funding to better serve participants experiencing or at risk of homelessness in the Youth and Family Services (YFS) of the Department of County Human Services (DCHS).

**Program Description**

**ISSUE:** There is a lack of culturally-specific services that provide flexibility for the unique needs of families in poverty. Many homeless families are housed with short-term rent assistance through the Homeless Family System of Care (HFSC), but don’t qualify for longer-term retention services through the Multnomah Stability Initiative, due to strict program criteria.

**PROGRAM GOAL:** The MSI Bridge Program was developed to assist families in transitioning from the Homeless Family System of Care (HFSC) to the Youth and Family Services (YFS) Multnomah Stability Initiative (MSI).

**PROGRAM ACTIVITY:** The Bridge program has reduced program entry criteria and more intensive services than the MSI program, in order to further stabilize families before referring them to MSI. Services have been developed to target families with children under 18 years old, who are currently housed and at risk of homelessness. Culturally-specific and appropriate services are delivered by contracted partner staff. The activities of the Bridge 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 flex funds. This program funds staff to provide housing case management and skill building services.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	HFSC families transitioned to MSI Bridge Program*	N/A	20	20	25
Outcome	MSI Bridge families retaining housing at 12 months*	N/A	80%	80%	80%
Outcome	Percent of households who experience improvement in self-identified housing goals*	N/A	90%	90%	90%

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

\*New pilot program in the process of being implemented.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Department Requested General Fund	Department Requested Other Funds
<b>Program Expenses</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2025</b>
Personnel	\$0	\$130,901	\$0	\$144,047
Contractual Services	\$0	\$4,367,981	\$0	\$4,614,310
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,498,882</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,758,357</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$4,498,882</b>		<b>\$4,758,357</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

\$4,758,357 - Supportive Housing Services (SHS) Fund 1521. Tax revenues are budgeted in the Joint Office of Homeless Services program 30000 Administration and Operations.

Significant Program Changes

**Last Year this program was:** FY 2024: 30407A Supportive Housing - Countywide Coordination - Dept of County Human

FY 2024 Other Funds includes Supportive Housing Services (SHS) Fund 1521. In FY 2024 these funds were budgeted in the Joint Office of Homeless Services programs:

- 30407A – Supportive Housing – Countywide Coordination – Dept of County Human Services
- 30400D – Supportive Housing – Tenant-Based Commitments