



Program #25399G - ARP - Eviction Moratorium & Prevention Support 7/6/2021

Department: County Human Services **Program Contact:** Peggy Samolinski
Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

This program offer funds services that support renters to remain stably housed by providing access to both accurate and up to date information about their rights as renters, and legal representation to clear eviction notices.

Program Summary

ISSUE: COVID-19 has led to economic impacts that affect the most vulnerable of our residents, and create conditions for housing instability for renters across Multnomah County. Residential renters have been impacted by COVID-19 in myriad ways. These include: job loss; confusion relating to changes in the law; impacts of illness; race, perceived disability or other discrimination; and other emerging issues. The Eviction Moratorium and grace period to repay rent have allowed renters some relief, and as the moratorium is lifted, many households may face imminent eviction.

PROGRAM GOAL: Renters in Multnomah County will have a resource to receive timely and accurate legal support for navigating issues and impacts from COVID-19, including access to direct legal support when faced with eviction.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: There are two primary program activities. First, the Community Alliance of Tenants will continue to provide Renters Rights Hotline and other information and education services to County residential tenants. CAT will work collaboratively with County staff and partner agencies to provide legal information, referral and education to residential tenants in Multnomah County, partner staff working with client populations, and others who may benefit from the information. Services shall be provided via hotline, website, written materials, social media and/or other effective means as determined by CAT; materials will be tailored to communities of color that are deeply impacted by the pandemic's economic impacts. Second, legal services will leverage existing legal services capacity and invest new resources in a comprehensive, targeted eviction prevention project.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer
Output	Number of people receiving legal information, education and referral services	N/A	N/A	N/A	1,500
Outcome	Renters who engage with legal representation to achieve dismissal of their case.	N/A	N/A	N/A	200

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Contractual Services	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$400,000
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$400,000
Program Total:	\$100,000		\$400,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$400,000
Total Revenue	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$400,000

Explanation of Revenues

American Rescue Plan (ARP) Direct County Funding - \$400,000

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was:

This program addresses the Crisis Response & Community Recovery priority by funding legal services for households experiencing legal issues related to their tenancy. It also funds the Community Alliance of Tenants to provide accurate information and navigation supports to renters throughout the community.