

Department: Joint Office of Homeless Services **Program Contact:** Marc Jolin
Program Offer Type: Administration **Program Offer Stage:** As Requested
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

This program offer funds administrative operations for the Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS). The JOHS is the backbone agency supporting a collective impact approach to preventing and ending homelessness in the City of Portland and Multnomah County. The City and the County consolidated resources and services under the JOHS to fund community initiatives to prevent and ultimately end homelessness for tens of thousands of individuals and families each year. The JOHS manages resources from Multnomah County, the City of Portland, Metro, and HUD to fund community initiatives and programs to address and end homelessness in the region.

Program Summary

Homelessness is an ongoing crisis in the City of Portland and Multnomah County. In the last several years, the community has come together and responded in unprecedented ways. The JOHS represents a shared commitment between the City of Portland and Multnomah County to expand, improve, and simplify access to the range of services needed to address homelessness in the community. The JOHS administers contracts for homeless services, plans and manages systems of care, oversees system reporting and evaluation, conducts homeless street counts and one night shelter counts, and writes proposals to and monitors funds issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These operations affect the lives of tens of thousands of homeless singles, youth, families, and survivors of domestic violence in the community. Through the JOHS, funds are contracted to more than 40 nonprofit and public agencies to provide a comprehensive range of services to assist people experiencing homelessness or housing instability. The JOHS receives funding and policy direction from the City of Portland and Multnomah County as well as the City of Gresham and Home Forward. The JOHS, by integrating staffing and funding, offers the City and County enhanced operational coordination and effectiveness in the delivery of services.

The JOHS is committed to and has taken numerous steps to realize the department's goals of achieving racial equity in homeless services and eliminating disparate rates of homelessness on the basis of race and ethnicity. To that end, the JOHS has: (1) improved data collection and outcome reporting using inclusive racial identities; (2) created standards of practice for all contractors that include cultural responsiveness and/or culturally specific service provision; (3) included a requirement for organizational equity assessments, plans, and progress reporting in all contracts; (4) prioritized and increased funding to culturally specific organizations through local procurement processes and prioritization of culturally specific programs in competitive Federal applications; and (5) prioritized staff support to our community advisory efforts, including most recently around planning for chronic homelessness and permanent supportive housing.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer
Output	Lead community-based budget recommendation development	1	1	1	1
Outcome	Present budget recommendations to Community Budget Advisory Committee	1	1	1	1
Outcome	Number of System-Level Quarterly Reports shared with the public	4	4	4	4

Performance Measures Descriptions

Legal / Contractual Obligation

The Joint Office of Homeless Services is authorized by an Intergovernmental Agreement between Multnomah County and the City of Portland.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Requested General Fund	Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2022	2022	2023	2023
Personnel	\$640,151	\$179,311	\$712,099	\$200,762
Contractual Services	\$5,100	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$92,168	\$750	\$114,059	\$0
Internal Services	\$598,908	\$0	\$670,058	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,336,327	\$180,061	\$1,506,216	\$200,762
Program Total:	\$1,516,388		\$1,706,978	
Program FTE	3.00	2.00	3.00	2.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$180,061	\$0	\$200,762
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$252,422	\$0
Total Revenue	\$0	\$180,061	\$252,422	\$200,762

Explanation of Revenues

Department Indirect Revenue \$252,422
City of Portland General Fund \$200,762

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2022: 30000A Joint Office of Homeless Services Administration and Operations