

Program #30203 - Safety off the Streets - Family Shelter

FY 2026 Department Requested

Department: Homeless Services Department Program Contact: Daniel Field

Program Offer Type: Operating Program Offer Stage: Department Requested

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Program Description

Emergency shelter and associated emergency services are vital to protecting the basic health and safety of families experiencing homelessness. In addition to providing a safe place to stay, these shelters are essential locations for families to learn about and access services. This program funds three (3) family shelters in East Portland. This unit also funds approximately 50 units of new family motel shelter as part of the Community Shelter Strategy.

Achieving racial equity is a core goal. Programming is designed to end disparate rates of homelessness on the basis of race and ethnicity. All shelters, regardless of size and configuration, must provide trauma-informed, racially equitable, and culturally responsive or specific programming. Families from communities of color are served at a higher rate compared to their representation among homeless families.

Families in need of shelter are screened and referred through the Coordinated Access Shelter Intake Line. Families receive services to support their transition into permanent housing. These services include housing placement through the Homeless Family System of Care (HFSC) and resources to help families avoid entering homelessness.

Shelters are designed so that each family has its own room. The shelters are strategically located in areas where there is a high demand for shelter and where families have existing support networks.

These shelters are designed to create a stable environment for school-aged children. Transportation is provided to local schools. The program offers healthy and engaging activities both within the shelters and off-site during non-school hours, evenings, spring break, and summer break. This ensures that children have opportunities for growth and enrichment beyond their academic responsibilities.

The family shelter system leverages resources from the Federal, State, and local levels, as well as partnerships with faith-based organizations and nonprofits. Volunteers play a significant role in the shelters. They help expand activities for children and allow for culturally-specific services and neighborhood involvement.

| Performance Measures | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|--|--|--|
| Measure Type | Performance Measure | FY24 Actual | FY25 Budgeted | FY25 Estimate | FY26 Target | | | |
| Output | Number of emergency shelter units | 106 | 218 | 106 | 150 | | | |
| Output | Number of unduplicated participants served | 1,014 | 1,320 | 937 | 1,320 | | | |
| Output | Percentage of exits to permanent housing | 68% | N/A* | 76% | 70% | | | |
| Output | Participant BIPOC groups (out of 5) proportionately >= to those among homeless population | 2 | Yes** | 3 | 5 | | | |

Performance Measures Descriptions

^{*}This is a new measure in FY 2026

^{**}Measure methodology changed from "BIPOC served in emergency shelter at rate as high or higher than percent of HUD homeless population (Yes/No)" to disaggregate racial/ethnic groups, select a comparison group tailored to the equity metric, and reflect all program participants and whether services are being accessed equitably.

Revenue/Expense Detail

| | Adopted General Fund | Adopted Other Funds | Department Requested General Fund | Department Requested Other Funds |
|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|---|--|
| Program Expenses | 2025 | 2025 | 2026 | 2026 |
| Personnel | \$4,946 | \$72,833 | \$192,261 | \$186,924 |
| Contractual Services | \$0 | \$0 | \$423,401 | \$7,144,924 |
| Materials & Supplies | \$100,730 | \$3,555,846 | \$0 | \$1,405,400 |
| Internal Services | \$1,071,337 | \$2,957,083 | \$690,221 | \$90,994 |
| Cash Transfers | \$0 | \$2,000,000 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Total GF/non-GF | \$1,177,013 | \$8,585,762 | \$1,305,883 | \$8,828,242 |
| Program Total: | \$9,762,775 | | \$10,134,125 | |
| Program FTE | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 |

| Program Revenues | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| Intergovernmental | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$7,287,469 | | | | |
| Beginning Working Capital | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$1,540,773 | | | | |
| Total Revenue | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$8,828,242 | | | | |

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$90,994 in indirect revenues.

\$1,134,630 funding allocated through Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) to maintain Oregon's statewide system of shelters, estimate based on receiving 20% of State funding which follows historical patterns (State)

\$1,540,773 carryover from the FY 2025 Supportive Housing Services (SHS) allocation to Multnomah County through the SHS Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Oregon Metro Regional Government (Local)

\$5,057,760 of the FY 2026 Supportive Housing Services (SHS) allocation to Multnomah County through the SHS Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Oregon Metro Regional Government (Local)

\$974,293 of HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Program awarded to Multnomah County. The CoC Program requires a 25 percent match of the awarded grant amount, which is met with County General Fund (Federal)

\$120,786 Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program allocated through the Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) to assist low or very-low income persons who are homeless or are unstably housed and at risk of becoming homeless. The ESG required match is 100% match per § 576.201, which is met with County General Fund (State)

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2025: 30203 Safety off the Streets - Family Shelter

In FY 2025 this offer funded 90 units of shelter under the Community Sheltering Strategy. That amount has been reduced and the offer now funds approximately 50 units of new family motel shelter under that strategy.