

Department: Joint Office of Homeless Services **Program Contact:** Marc Jolin
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

A Home for Everyone (AHFE) has prioritized the equitable expansion of shelter for vulnerable populations. AHFE also holds achieving racial equity as a core goal, and eliminating disparate rates of homelessness on the basis of race and ethnicity must be a focus of programming. Domestic violence (DV) emergency shelters provide immediate safety and offer crisis intervention services to survivors and children fleeing domestic violence or experiencing homelessness as a result of a recent incident of intimate partner violence; these services are vital for protecting the health and safety of survivors. The DV confidential shelters in this program provide year-round beds accessed by hundreds of survivors annually, with 75% identifying as People of Color.

Program Summary

Domestic Violence (DV) is a significant contributing factor to homelessness and housing instability. Nearly four in ten women who experience domestic violence will become homeless as a result. Additionally, leaving an abusive relationship is often the most dangerous time, and survivors are frequently navigating multiple complex systems, such as child welfare, the civil legal system, and immigration. Access to a confidential emergency shelter and trauma-informed, survivor-driven services is critical for survivors seeking to establish safety for themselves and their children. Funds support shelter operation costs, staffing, limited client assistance, and wrap-around support services at four DV emergency shelters. Services include intensive DV advocacy and support, safety planning, provision of basic needs, co-advocacy within DV continuum of service providers, and information and referrals to community-based services and housing programs.

This offer supports four shelters in two models: facility-based emergency shelter and master-leased units. Three facility-based confidential shelters offer 24-hour security and staff seven days a week. A fourth shelter utilizes four scattered site master-leased apartments to provide safety and wrap-around crisis intervention services for survivors. These scattered-site units allow multi-generational and/or larger families directly impacted by DV to access services. All four shelters offer a 90-day length of stay with the possibility for extension and jointly serve more than 100 individuals per night. To ensure that survivors who are at greater danger are prioritized for these confidential shelter beds, all shelters use a coordinated triage system and a common, locally-developed screening tool to articulate survivors' needs and match survivors with available shelter space. All shelter, regardless of size and configuration, must provide trauma-informed, racially equitable, reduced barrier, and culturally responsive or specific programming that emphasizes meeting participants' immediate need for basic health and safety. Additionally, this program supports emergency vouchers that are used to assist survivors in staying safe when shelter beds are full, act as a bridge voucher to housing when survivors are homeless and in the process of attaining a permanent housing placement, and finally as a respite for women and children who are unable to safely stay in the shelters.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer
Output	Number of year-round confidential emergency shelter beds + year-round equivalent emergency voucher beds	147	147	127	120
Outcome	Number of individuals receiving emergency shelter services	338	450	400	400
Output	Number of individuals served with domestic violence emergency vouchers	298	350	511	300
Outcome	Overrepresented BIPOC served in emergency shelter at rate as high or higher than percent of population*	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes

Performance Measures Descriptions

The COVID-19 pandemic, which began in FY 2020, has significantly impacted the performance measures associated with this program offer. FY 2021 estimate significantly impacted by COVID-19 and physical distancing guidance for congregate shelters.

*This is a new equity measure intended to demonstrate whether program offer investments are meeting the commitment to reduce racial disparities in homelessness overall. and in specific programs.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Personnel	\$63,627	\$0	\$67,488	\$0
Contractual Services	\$1,046,073	\$526,000	\$1,062,810	\$526,720
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,109,700	\$526,000	\$1,130,298	\$526,720
Program Total:	\$1,635,700		\$1,657,018	
Program FTE	0.50	0.00	0.50	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$526,000	\$0	\$526,720
Total Revenue	\$0	\$526,000	\$0	\$526,720

Explanation of Revenues

State Homeless Assistance Program (SHAP) \$480,810
 City of Portland General Fund \$45,910

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2021: 10052F Safety off the Streets - Domestic Violence Shelter

This offer combines FY 2021 offers 10052F and 10052H.