

Department: Homeless Services Department

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Program Offer Type: Operating

Program Offer Stage: Proposed

Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Program Description

This program offer funds housing placement and retention programs that help adult-only households return to permanent housing.

For many people experiencing homelessness, returning to permanent housing requires a combination of services. This includes limited duration flexible rent assistance, housing placement and retention support staffing, and flexible client assistance, and other case management services. This housing placement and retention strategy, often referred to as "rapid rehousing (RRH)", is a recognized best practice and critical element of the housing placement strategies. This offer funds rapid rehousing programs for adults, including programs specifically designed for women.

Services are delivered by skilled nonprofit partners including culturally-specific providers serving communities of color. This assistance is accessed via shelter programs, day centers, and street outreach programs, including targeted outreach in Gresham and East County. Programs emphasize strategies that reduce racial disparities.

The investments in this program offer leverage significant Federal, State and local resources. This offer includes the Short Term Rent Assistance (STRA) program that consolidates multiple Federal, State and local funding streams in a fund administered by Home Forward, which in turn contracts the funds to nearly 20 nonprofit partners who offer prevention and rapid rehousing programs throughout the County.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target
Output	Number of participants newly placed in housing	345	N/A*	469	400
Outcome	Number of participants receiving ongoing retention support (sustained)	717	N/A*	638	650
Output	Participant BIPOC groups (out of 5) proportionately >= to those among homeless services population	4	Yes**	3	5
Output	Percentage of participants retained in permanent housing 12 months post-subsidy	89%	90%	94%	90%

Performance Measures Descriptions

*These are new measures in FY 2026 to replace "Number of new and ongoing participants provided rent assistance (PH or HP) including STRA and non-STRA" to clearly differentiate between participants receiving ongoing subsidy (sustained) and those newly placed. **Measure methodology changed from "BIPOC placed or retained in housing 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	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026
Personnel	\$161,674	\$740,478	\$262,774	\$779,553
Contractual Services	\$1,964,022	\$13,201,822	\$2,862,255	\$8,633,830
Internal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$379,486
Total GF/non-GF	\$2,125,696	\$13,942,300	\$3,125,029	\$9,792,869
Program Total:	\$16,067,996		\$12,917,898	
Program FTE	1.00	5.00	1.50	5.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$3,150,910	\$0	\$4,722,477
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$10,373,085	\$0	\$5,070,392
Total Revenue	\$0	\$13,523,995	\$0	\$9,792,869

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$379,486 in indirect revenues.

\$18,806 funding allocated through Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) to maintain current efforts to transition Oregonians out of homelessness and into housing, estimate based on receiving 20% of State funding which follows historical patterns (State)

\$5,070,392 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)

\$3,324,631 of the FY 2026 Supportive Housing Services (SHS) allocation to Multnomah County through the SHS Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Oregon Metro Regional Government (Local)

\$1,379,040 City of Portland General Fund allocation through Multnomah County's IGA with the City of Portland (Local)

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2025: 30300 Housing Placement & Retention - Adults & Women Households

This program offer includes a portion of provider rent assistance staffing previously budgeted in Housing Placement & Retention - Emergency Rent Assistance (30304), and housing placement, and stabilization, rent assistance programming previously budgeted in Supportive Housing (30400A). This change was made to allow for greater visibility into the investments being made in housing placement and retention specifically designed for adults. This program offer includes a reorganization of 3.00 FTE Program Specialist and 2.00 FTE Program Specialist Senior.