

Department: Joint Office of Homeless Services **Program Contact:** Daniel Field

Program Offer Type: Operating **Program Offer Stage:** Adopted

Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

This program offer funds housing placement and retention, along with necessary supportive services, for youth experiencing homelessness. Funding supports rent assistance, case management, housing placement and retention, recovery-oriented services, peer mentorship, health and parenting resources.

The Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS) has prioritized permanent housing placement for vulnerable populations, including youth experiencing homelessness. The JOHS 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.

Program Description

JOHS convenes the Homeless Youth Continuum (HYC). The HYC is a highly collaborative and coordinated system comprised of four nonprofit agencies, including a culturally specific agency, that provides a continuum of screening, crisis intervention, safety services, shelter, assertive engagement, housing, education, employment, pregnancy and parenting support, mental health and addictions supports, and health services to youth up to age 25 experiencing homelessness. This program offer maintains current capacity to provide these essential housing and developmental supports for youth. With services both on-site and at mobile locations, HYC staff provide culturally responsive services to best meet the developmental needs of homeless youth throughout Multnomah County.

This program offer leverages federal long-term rent assistance vouchers to support housing navigation, placement and retention services for 200 youth. To reduce racial disparities in the experience of homelessness, Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) communities are prioritized in access to and success in the Voucher Programs.

This program offer funds:

Case management that provides linkages to education, employment, health, mental health and addictions treatment, housing services, and on-going housing stability supports. This program also funds education and resource access for pregnant and parenting youth.

Recovery Oriented Supports & Engagement (ROSE) mental health and addiction recovery support services. Approximately 93% of youth served have either addiction or mental health issues, with 53% reporting co-occurring issues. The ROSE program provides certified staff and peer mentors who engage youth in recovery supports, conduct assessments, and connect youth to formal treatment programs, provide follow up care, on-going supports, and healthy recreation alternatives. A range of developmentally appropriate housing options, which include onsite transitional housing with 24-hour staffing, scattered site housing, rapid rehousing, and shared housing. Housing navigators assist youth to access the housing options that best fit the youth's needs and provide retention support.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	Number of new and ongoing participants provided permanent housing or homelessness prevention rent assis	565	625	560	600
Outcome	BIPOC placed or retained in housing at rate as high or higher than percent of HUD homeless population	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Outcome	Number of youth newly placed in permanent housing or newly enrolled in homelessness prevention or temporary	283	525	375	525
Output	Number of youth receiving recovery support services***	580	700	700	700

Performance Measures Descriptions

*This measure has changed from "Number of youth enrolled in transitional or permanent housing or prevention programs" to reflect an initiative to align with contracted outputs/outcomes.

**This measure changed from "Number of youth newly placed into or retained in transitional or permanent housing" to reflect an initiative to align with contracted outputs/outcomes.

***FY 2023 Actual. lower than targeted due to a staffing shortage of 1.00 FTE.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025
Personnel	\$0	\$88,530	\$0	\$317,865
Contractual Services	\$4,254,995	\$1,849,555	\$2,683,221	\$3,978,270
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$21,585	\$390
Internal Services	\$0	\$22,522	\$0	\$138,875
Total GF/non-GF	\$4,254,995	\$1,960,607	\$2,704,806	\$4,435,400
Program Total:	\$6,215,602		\$7,140,206	
Program FTE	0.00	0.50	0.00	2.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,960,607	\$0	\$3,651,535
Beginning Working Capital	\$897,050	\$0	\$0	\$783,865
Total Revenue	\$897,050	\$1,960,607	\$0	\$4,435,400

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$138,875 in indirect revenues.

County General fund plus \$1,069,164 in 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, \$783,865 carryover from the FY 2024 Supportive Housing Services (SHS) allocation to Multnomah County through the SHS Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Oregon Metro Regional Government, \$2,415,610 of the FY 2025 Supportive Housing Services (SHS) allocation to Multnomah County through the SHS Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Oregon Metro Regional Government, and \$166,761 Emergency Housing Assistance (EHA) 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.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 30306 Housing Placement & Retention - Youth Services

This program offer contains 0.50 FTE that will provide supervisory support to increase effectiveness of the contracting process and coordinating outcomes and outputs from contractors and 1.00 FTE that will support system infrastructure design and growth of the contract portfolios.