

**Department:** Joint Office of Homeless Services      **Program Contact:** Daniel Field  
**Program Offer Type:** Operating      **Program Offer Stage:** Proposed  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

This program offer leverages U.S. Housing and Urban Development and Veterans Affairs resources, as well as State of Oregon Emergency Housing Assistance funds, to meet the short-term rent assistance and barrier mitigation needs of Veterans who become homeless in the community. The Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS) convenes a coalition of partners around the ongoing effort to help Veteran households end or prevent their homelessness.

**Program Description**

Ending homelessness among Veterans continues to be a priority in the community. However, hundreds of veterans continue to become homeless every year.

The capacity to house veterans depends, to a significant extent, on federal funding in the form of Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) and Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF). It also relies on a commitment of 50 Housing Choice Vouchers and 50 subsidized housing units by Home Forward. While it is anticipated that federal funding will remain available in FY 2025, these federal funds are not enough to help veterans move into housing if they have significant barriers or lack security deposit funds. The federal funds also have limitations on eviction prevention assistance and eligibility restrictions that limit who among veterans experiencing homelessness can be served.

The flexible rent assistance and barrier mitigation funds available through this program offer allow nonprofit organizations to assist veterans with an array of housing services. This includes security deposits, helping with utility and past property debts, limited-term rent assistance, legal fees, and moving fees. Additionally, this program offer funds culturally-specific operations that support the engagement, assessment, and referral of veterans for housing services.

**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 assi	42	50	50	50
Outcome	BIPOC placed or retained in housing at rate as high or higher than percent of HUD homeless population	No**	Yes	Yes	Yes
Outcome	Number of participants newly placed in permanent housing or newly enrolled in homelessness prevention	N/A	40	N/A***	40

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

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

\*\*New PSH housing for culturally specific Veterans opened in FY 2024.

\*\*\*This measure has changed from "Number of households newly placed into or retained in permanent housing" to reflect an initiative to align with contracted outputs/outcomes. but data collection is not updated for FY 2024. See first measure for

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025
Contractual Services	\$197,167	\$630,275	\$348,850	\$506,810
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$197,167</b>	<b>\$630,275</b>	<b>\$348,850</b>	<b>\$506,810</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$827,442</b>		<b>\$855,660</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$293,355	\$0	\$303,135
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$336,920	\$0	\$203,675
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$630,275</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$506,810</b>

Explanation of Revenues

County General fund plus \$129,180 Emergency Housing Assistance (EHA) for Veterans 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, \$203,675 carryover from the FY 2024 Supportive Housing Services (SHS) allocation to Multnomah County through the SHS Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Oregon Metro Regional Government, \$74,940 of the FY 2025 Supportive Housing Services (SHS) allocation to Multnomah County through the SHS Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Oregon Metro Regional Government, and \$99,015 State Housing Assistance Program (SHAP) allocated through the Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) to provide operational support for emergency shelters and supportive services to shelter residents.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 30307 Housing Placement & Retention - Veterans