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Program Offer Type: Existing **Program Offer Stage:** Proposed
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

With Metro Supportive Housing Services Measure (Measure) funding that is dedicated to reducing homelessness through strategies that lead with racial equity, this program offer funds tenant-based permanent supportive housing (PSH) specifically designed to meet the needs of youth (under 25) with significant behavioral health needs. The program offer funds support services and Regional Long Term Rent Assistance vouchers designed to be low barrier and serve youth who are often screened out of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development’s (HUD) Section 8 program.

Program Description

The Multnomah County Local Implementation Plan (LIP) for the Measure sets out a range of strategies to reduce homelessness by increasing permanent housing and wrap around services for those experiencing, or at risk of, chronic homelessness and episodic homelessness. In alignment with priorities outlined in the LIP, this program offer funds 30 tenant-based permanent supportive housing (PSH) opportunities and provides FTE for on-going support services.

PSH is for individuals who would not be successful in their housing without supportive services, and for whom services would be less effective without stable housing. It serves those with significant disabilities, including chronic health conditions, mental illness, and addictions, who have experienced or are at risk of experiencing chronic homelessness. Tenant-based supportive housing provides households with a rental voucher that can be used to buy-down rent in a private market or regulated unit along with mobile, wrap-around services.

The programming funded by this program offer will support 30 homeless youth who have extremely low-incomes, serious disabling conditions, and experiencing - or at risk of - long-term homelessness, with ongoing rental assistance provided through the Regional Long-term Rent Assistance (RLRA) program administered by Home Forward and wrap-around services provided by a youth service organization. RLRA operates similarly to the HUD Section 8 program where households pay 30% of their income towards rent and utilities and the housing authority pays the rest. RLRA was intentionally designed to be low barrier and serve people who are often screened out of HUD’s Section 8 program.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budgeted	FY23 Estimate	FY24 Offer
Output	Number of youth newly placed or retained in permanent housing	16	30	30	30
Outcome	Percentage of youth not returning to homeless services within a year of exiting a program to housing	NA	80%	80%	80%
Outcome	BIPOC placed or retained rate as high or higher than percent of HUD homeless population	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Performance Measures Descriptions

This new program offer includes supportive housing for youth that was previously budgeted in 30400B - Supportive Housing - Metro Measure Expansion. The FY 2022 Budgeted number reflects the youth-specific supportive housing number previously included in 30400B.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2023	2023	2024	2024
Contractual Services	\$0	\$624,000	\$0	\$978,570
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$624,000	\$0	\$978,570
Program Total:	\$624,000		\$978,570	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$624,000	\$0	\$978,570
Total Revenue	\$0	\$624,000	\$0	\$978,570

Explanation of Revenues

\$978,570 of the FY 2024 Supportive Housing Services (SHS) allocation to Multnomah County through the SHS Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Oregon Metro Regional Government.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2023: 30404 Supportive Housing - Youth - Metro Measure Expansion