

**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 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 (RLRA) 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. The Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS) holds achieving racial equity as a core goal, and eliminating disparate rates of homelessness on the basis of race and ethnicity is a focus of programming.

**Program Description**

The Multnomah County Local Implementation Plan (LIP) for the Metro Supportive Housing Services (SHS) 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 tenant-based PSH opportunities and provides FTE for on-going support services. In keeping with racial equity goals, BIPOC youth are prioritized for access to this resource.

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. Additional programming will be offered, leveraging federal funding, to support 24 chronically homeless youth with long-term rental assistance and wrap around, culturally specific supportive services.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	Number of youth newly placed or retained in permanent housing	31	30	30	54
Outcome	Percentage of youth not returning to homeless services within a year of exiting a program to housing	100%	80%	100%	80%
Outcome	BIPOC placed or retained rate as high or higher than percent of HUD homeless population	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025
Contractual Services	\$0	\$978,570	\$0	\$1,524,645
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$978,570</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,524,645</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$978,570</b>		<b>\$1,524,645</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$978,570	\$0	\$1,524,645
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$978,570</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,524,645</b>

Explanation of Revenues

\$1,524,645 of the FY 2025 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 2024: 30404 Supportive Housing - Youth