

Department: Homeless Services Department

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Program Offer Type: Operating

Program Offer Stage: Proposed

Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:
Program Description

Domestic and sexual violence may lead to or exacerbate homelessness. This trauma is compounded by existing systemic inequities, disproportionately impacting Black, Indigenous and other people of color (BIPOC) communities. Survivors need more than just housing; they need specialized support services to heal from trauma, achieve self-sufficiency, and maintain housing stability. A lack of safe, affordable housing options, coupled with the often complex needs of survivors, creates a significant barrier to escaping violence and achieving long-term stability. Traditional housing assistance programs may not be equipped to address the specific needs and safety concerns of survivors.

The program aims to provide safe, stable housing and comprehensive support services to survivors of domestic/sexual violence and their children, prioritizing the needs of BIPOC communities. Expected outcomes include:

- Increased access to tenant-based PSH for survivors and their children.
- Improved long-term housing stability for survivors, reducing their risk of returning to unsafe situations or experiencing further homelessness.
- Enhanced safety and well-being for survivors and their children.
- Increased self-sufficiency and empowerment for survivors through access to support services.
- Greater housing equity for BIPOC survivors of domestic/sexual violence.

The program funds several key activities:

- Tenant-Based PSH: Provides 24 tenant-based PSH opportunities specifically for survivors and children fleeing domestic violence or experiencing homelessness as a result of an incident of domestic and/or sexual violence. This includes rental assistance through the Regional Long-term Rent Assistance (RLRA) program, administered by Home Forward.
- Specialized Support Services: Funds staff capacity at two domestic and sexual violence (DSV) housing providers to deliver critical support services tailored to the needs of survivors. One of the providers offers culturally specific services for Black/African American survivors.
- Low-Barrier Access: RLRA is designed to be low-barrier and serves people who are often screened out of HUD's Section 8 program, making it more accessible to survivors who may have barriers to traditional housing assistance.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target
Output	Number of participants newly placed in housing	19	N/A*	40	N/A
Outcome	Number of participants receiving ongoing retention support (sustained)	0	N/A*	30	70
Output	Participant BIPOC groups (out of 5) proportionately \geq to those among homeless services population	3	Yes**	3	5
Output	Percentage of participants retained in housing at 12 months	0%	N/A***	90%	90%

Performance Measures Descriptions

*These are new measures in FY 2026 to replace "Number of people newly placed or retained in permanent housing" to clearly differentiate between participants receiving ongoing subsidy (sustained) and those newly placed.

**Measure methodology changed from "BIPOC placed or retained 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 equitably accessed.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026
Contractual Services	\$0	\$925,635	\$0	\$1,286,685
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$925,635	\$0	\$1,286,685
Program Total:	\$925,635		\$1,286,685	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$925,635	\$0	\$1,286,685
Total Revenue	\$0	\$925,635	\$0	\$1,286,685

Explanation of Revenues

\$1,286,685 of the FY 2026 Supportive Housing Services (SHS) allocation to Multnomah County through the SHS Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Oregon Metro Regional Government (Local)

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2025: 30405 Supportive Housing - Domestic Violence