



Program #30600 - Employment Programs **FY 2026 Department Requested**

Department: Homeless Services Department **Program Contact:** Daniel Field
Program Offer Type: Operating **Program Offer Stage:** Department Requested
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Program Description

People who experience homelessness or housing instability often face barriers to employment. There is a need for integrated programs that address both housing and employment needs simultaneously to promote long-term stability. This program addresses the intersection of these challenges. It combines housing assistance with culturally specific workforce development services. These programs prioritize populations facing racial disparities in housing and employment.

The program aims to stabilize housing and improve economic opportunities for families, youth, and Communities of Color experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

The program supports several interconnected initiatives, all focused on the integration of housing and employment services:

- Economic Opportunity Program (EOP): Provides career-track employment services, housing resources, and community-based support through a network of nonprofit providers. Prioritizes survivors of domestic violence and SNAP recipients.
 - Adult Employment Services and Rent Assistance: Expands capacity within the EOP and its culturally specific providers to offer integrated employment and housing support, including rent assistance. Targets young adults of color, particularly those exiting the corrections system.
- Youth Employment Services: Supports Homeless Youth Continuum (HYC) partners in aligning employment and housing services for homeless youth, including pre-readiness support, job training, day labor opportunities, and internships.
- Equitable Access to Employment: Delivered by a culturally specific provider, this program supports individuals and families experiencing homelessness in securing employment services.
- Community Needs Employment Programs: Provides entry-level employment opportunities in areas such as trash collection, public space maintenance, and mobile hygiene services. This allows individuals experiencing or at risk of homelessness to earn income, develop work skills, and establish a work history. These programs are operated by nonprofit organizations throughout Multnomah County and provide services to individuals accessing employment services.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target
Output	Number of individuals receiving employment services and supports*	1,388	750	1,746	700
Output	Number of employment placements	599	360	572	350
Output	Number of households receiving rent assistance or eviction prevention	195	150	156	160
Output	BIPOC participate in program at rate as high or higher than percent of HUD homeless population	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Performance Measures Descriptions

*FY 2026 Estimate is higher due to an enrollment increase reported in the first two quarters.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Department Requested General Fund	Department Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026
Contractual Services	\$1,307,485	\$1,634,388	\$0	\$3,919,682
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,307,485	\$1,634,388	\$0	\$3,919,682
Program Total:	\$2,941,873		\$3,919,682	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

\$3,919,682 Video Lottery Fund allocated to Multnomah County to be used for the purpose of furthering economic development in accordance with ORS 461.512 (Local/State)

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2025: 30600 Employment Programs

This program offer reflects a reduction in programs that provided economic opportunity to people experiencing or at risk of homelessness, while at the same time addressing community needs for trash collection, public space maintenance services and the provision of mobile hygiene services. These employment programs provided entry-level opportunities to earn income, develop various work skills and establish a recent work history.