

Department: County Human Services **Program Contact:** Devarshi Bajpai
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The alcohol and drug prevention program provides an array of prevention services for children and families at high risk for substance abuse, school failure and juvenile justice problems. Prevention services for residents of public housing sites include structured after-school activities (homework assistance, tutoring and home visits), individualized support for youth, and a family engagement program. In addition, a continuing state grant-funded initiative is addressing alcohol abuse and dependence among young adults through environmental strategies, e.g., changes in community policies, laws, and norms.

Program Summary

The structured after-school program for public housing residents is a long-standing collaboration with Home Forward, providing afternoon and evening services offering on-site homework help, socializing and skill-building activities to a minimum of 250 youth whose families live in public housing. The structured services at Home Forward housing sites also include tutoring, mentoring and family-support home visits, primarily serving children and youth between 5 - 14 years old. These activities promote school success, family bonding, improved parenting skills and youth life skills.

By directly addressing community risk and protective factors, prevention reduces multiple problem behaviors and improves outcomes for children and families. The goal is to reduce youth substance abuse, school failure and juvenile crime. The Multnomah County prevention program builds partnerships with collaborative community partners and local prevention coalitions, and works with families, volunteers, and professionals to promote developmental assets and academic achievement.

As one of 12 counties to receive an Oregon Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant (SPF-SIG), Multnomah County is implementing a community-based process to reduce high risk drinking among young adults ages 18-25. High risk drinking is defined as binge drinking, heavy drinking and underage drinking (for those 18-20 for whom drinking is illegal). After conducting a needs assessment and developing an action plan, two coalitions formed to carry out the plan: one coalition works with colleges and universities to adopt best practice policies and programs and foster positive campus norms; the other, the Safe Nightlife Advocacy Partnership (SNAP), engages stakeholders in Portland's "nightlife and entertainment district" to reduce over-service and advocate for policies that promote prevention.

In 2014, SNAP will adopt strategies to reduce underage drinking and youth substance abuse, forge new partnerships with schools and broaden their reach to all of Central Portland (as defined by the Portland Police Bureau's Central Precinct boundaries).

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY13 Actual	FY14 Purchased	FY14 Estimate	FY15 Offer
Output	Youth served at public housing sites ¹	418	200	250	250
Outcome	Core group youth w/ improved behavior ²	84%	75%	75%	75%
Outcome	Core group youth w/ improved academic achievement	80%	75%	75%	75%

Performance Measures Descriptions

¹ This measure includes all participants in the entire collaborative after-school program serving youth in public housing.
² Intensive core group services will be provided to 30 families with youth exhibiting behavioral and academic risk factors. Outcomes of improved behavior (e.g., less disruptive, better attendance, fewer suspensions) and improved academic achievement are good predictors of reduced future substance abuse.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Contractual obligation: This program is funded with federal substance abuse prevention resources and state general funds through the State Oregon Health Authority (OHA) Addictions and Mental Health Division (AMH) contract. Program planning is developed based on AMH State Mental Health Grant Award requirements and submitted in the "Biennial Implementation Plan." Because Multnomah County accepts the State Mental Health grant, we are obligated to spend funds in accordance with regulations regarding State Service Elements MHS 37 (Flexible Funding, MHS Special Projects) and A-D 60 (Strategic Prevention Framework - SPF).

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2014	2014	2015	2015
Contractual Services	\$0	\$319,452	\$0	\$465,193
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,623
Internal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,377
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$319,452	\$0	\$475,193
Program Total:	\$319,452		\$475,193	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Indirect for Dept. Admin	\$0	\$0	\$1,263	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$319,452	\$0	\$475,193
Total Revenue	\$0	\$319,452	\$1,263	\$475,193

Explanation of Revenues

\$332,500- State Mental Health Grant Flex Funds: Based on FY14 award
\$92,693 - State Mental Health Grant A&D Special Projects: Based on FY14 award
\$50,000 - State of Oregon SNAP (Safe Nightlife Advocacy Partnership)

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: 25086 Addiction Services Alcohol & Drug Prevention