



Program #40104 - Deflection and Sobering Program FY 2026 Department Requested

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Program Offer Type: Operating **Program Offer Stage:** Department Requested
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Program Description

The Deflection and Sobering program is part of the Behavioral Health Division's (BHD) Addiction Services unit. Investments by the State of Oregon Criminal Justice Commission and the City of Portland support operating expenses for deflection programming and sobering services. Multnomah County is implementing House Bill (HB) 4002, which made significant changes to Measure 110 and provided funding to counties to start and implement deflection programs. Per HB 4002, a deflection program is a collaborative program between law enforcement agencies and behavioral health entities to keep individuals out of the justice system. The HB 4002 Leadership Team determines the program's eligibility and success criteria. This program aids in the coordination of the many systems designed to address the region's substance use crisis.

The goal of the program is to assist individuals who may have substance use disorder, another behavioral health disorder or co-occurring disorders in accessing community-based pathways to treatment, recovery support services, housing, case management or other services outside of the justice system. The County's deflection program includes center based and field based services. Center based services are housed at the Coordinated Care Pathway Center (PC) which is a temporary location. In Spring 2025, sobering services (13 recliners) will be added at the PC for those deflected and for the community at large. PC services are provided through a contractor and BHD's Providing Access to Hope Team (PATH) team, which does care coordination and outreach/follow up. Referral pathways for sobering will include law enforcement, first responders, and others. The program also tracks and assesses the impacts of this new law on the community, with particular regard to racial inequities.

The PC and field based deflection services happen through partnership with justice and law enforcement partners, behavioral health providers, peer organizations, other jurisdictional partners, and internal county departments. Deflection services at the PC include medical and behavioral health screenings, care coordination, referrals, and transportation (and access to sobering as appropriate). Field based services include screenings, care coordination, and referrals. Follow up outreach is provided by care coordinators or peers to individuals who are deflected at the PC and in the field. Outreach is also provided around the PC to support neighborhood safety.

Sobering services will allow for drop-off of acutely intoxicated individuals determined to be eligible and medically appropriate. Services include observation and stabilizing medication. Care plans, referrals, and transportation are provided once clients complete sobering. Law enforcement, first responder, and deflection referrals/drop-offs are prioritized.

PC services will be moved to the permanent 24/7 Sobering & Crisis Stabilization Center when completed, which will offer sobering, withdrawal management, medication assisted treatment, deflection, and more. Program Offer 40000C has details on capital costs for the permanent facility; 40104B has operational planning details.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target
Output	Number of HB4002 Leadership Team meetings attended	N/A	N/A	12	12
Output	Number of quarterly data reports	N/A	N/A	2	4
Outcome	% of individuals referred to deflection who access a service	N/A	N/A	25%	30%
Outcome	% of individuals engaged in sobering who access a referral post discharge	N/A	N/A	N/A	20%

Performance Measures Descriptions

Measure 3: The FY25 estimate is based on the deflection program's quarter 1 data (9/1/24-11/30/24).
 Measures 3 and 4: This program offer contains new programming. It is anticipated that outcomes will increase in future years as program implementation and quality improvement activities are implemented.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Department Requested General Fund	Department Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$994,017
Contractual Services	\$0	\$1,900,000	\$0	\$4,354,704
Internal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$865,131
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$1,900,000	\$0	\$6,213,852
Program Total:	\$1,900,000		\$6,213,852	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	6.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,900,000	\$0	\$6,213,852
Total Revenue	\$0	\$1,900,000	\$0	\$6,213,852

Explanation of Revenues

\$ 6,213,852 - Behavioral Health Deflection Program

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was:

This program offer is new for FY 2026. It includes State of Oregon Criminal Justice Commission and City of Portland funds that were in 40000C in FY 2025.