Multnomah County				
Program #10044B - Saf	ety off the Streets - Safe Haven			2/18/2016
Department:	Nondepartmental	Program Contact:	Marc Jolin	
Program Offer Type:	Innovative/New Program	Program Offer Stage:	As Requested	
Related Programs:				

Program Characteristics: Out of Target

Executive Summary

This program offer would provide the basic operating support for at least 30 beds of emergency shelter for people who are homeless and are discharging from the soon to be open Unity Center. There is an opportunity to create a comprehensive post-discharge housing strategy with its opening. Part of that strategy is to have available emergency shelter beds where individuals discharging from Unity have basic safety off the streets, as well as access to continued support services that allow them to remain stable and transition to other appropriate longer-term housing opportunities.

Program Summary

In order to achieve the goals of the A Home for Everyone, the Executive Committee has recommended expanding safety off the streets options by at least 650 beds by the end 2017, with a particular emphasis on providing safe shelter options for women and people with disabilities while they await access to permanent housing. Within this broader goal they recommended expanding shelter capacity for individuals with severe mental illness who will be using the new Unity Center emergency mental health facility.

We face a crisis of unsheltered homelessness among some of our most vulnerable and severely mentally ill neighbors. The most recent street count identified more than half of the unsheltered population as having a serious disability, most commonly a mental health disability, often combined with an addiction disorder. National data suggests that fully 30 of those who are chronically homeless have a severe and persistent mental illness.

In the Fall of 2016 a new mental health crisis emergency facility will open called the Unity Center. This facility is a collaboration among multiple hospital systems and will serve patients from Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas counties. Based on current data, several thousand people who enter the Unity Center each year will be homeless. Stays at Unity Center will be short, in many cases less than 24 hours. In order to avoid discharging people back to the street, there must be appropriate short and longer-term housing options available.

30 beds of "Safe Haven" style shelter for homeless individuals discharging from Unity Center will meet only a portion of the need, but the beds, and leveraged support services, will be a vital community resource for some of our most vulnerable residents. The shelter will be similar to the successful 16 bed collaboration between DCJ and Mental Health that serves as diversion shelter for dual diagnosed individuals who would otherwise be incarcerated. This new shelter with significant on-site support services has proven highly effective at stabilizing guests and connecting them with appropriate permanent housing.

These shelter beds would be provided through a contracted non-profit and would be jointly funded with the City of Portland.

Performance Measures						
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY15 Actual	FY16 Purchased	FY16 Estimate	FY17 Offer	
Output	Bed nights provided	NA	NA	NA	10,950	
Outcome	Individuals receiving safety off the streets and connected to support services	NA	NA	NA	100	
Outcome	Beds of emergency shelter	NA	NA	NA	30	

Performance Measures Descriptions

The basic output for any safety off the street measure is the number of bed nights provided. The outcome for safety off the streets is the number who find basic safety needed and those entering shelter system connected to essential support services. Measures assume that both this program offer and the parallel proposal for City of Portland general fund are fully funded. Both jurisdictions are requested to contribute revenues to the measures projected. Measures will be adjusted accordingly in the event that either iurisdiction does not fully fund the request.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

This program offer represents portions of the following AHFE proposed investment priorities: PSH - Site based and scattered site units connected to Unity (HLH.3), Discharge Planning (HLH.4) and "Safe Haven" for Severely Disabled (SoS.NR).

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds			
Program Expenses	2016	2016	2017	2017			
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$201,000	\$0			
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$201,000	\$0			
Program Total:	\$(\$0		\$201,000			
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Program Revenues							
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: