



**Program #50034A - Assessment and Referral Center - Housing** FY 2025 Department Requested

**Department:** Community Justice **Program Contact:** Lonnie Nettles  
**Program Offer Type:** Operating **Program Offer Stage:** Department Requested  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:** In Target

**Executive Summary**

Assessment and Referral Center (ARC) Transition Services Unit staff meet with high risk individuals, before and after their release from custody, to determine which strategies and services are most appropriate to reduce the risk of recidivism. Results indicate that using individual specific referrals and re-entry services, including housing placement, reduces recidivism and increases engagement. Coordinated, immediate service delivery, including post-release housing addresses client needs.

**Program Description**

Transition Services Unit’s mission is to end homelessness and maintain community safety. Their approach to this includes placing high risk, high need individuals directly into housing with supportive services immediately following their release from incarceration. This approach is consistent with the current Multnomah County plan to end homelessness by interrupting and/or circumventing the individual’s entry to homelessness and risk for cycling in and out of incarceration.

Evidence-based practices clearly dictate the need to provide case management, access to healthcare, and safe and secure housing for individuals released from jail, prison or residential treatment. Transition Services staff prioritize cultural-specific and responsive, inclusive housing options when possible. In 2023, this program provided short and long term housing services for an average of 323 high risk adults identified with behavioral or medical needs using several contracted agencies within the community. Providing housing to individuals on supervision is cost effective. On average, the cost to house an individual is approximately \$32 daily, as compared to \$145 per day to incarcerate an individual in jail or prison.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	Average number of individuals housed monthly	323	314	314	314
Outcome	Average percentage of contracted beds utilized each month.	90%	85%	85%	85%

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Department Requested General Fund	Department Requested Other Funds
<b>Program Expenses</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2025</b>
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Contractual Services	\$3,442,301	\$1,672,120	\$2,857,764	\$1,665,393
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$3,442,301</b>	<b>\$1,672,120</b>	<b>\$2,857,764</b>	<b>\$1,665,393</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$5,114,421</b>		<b>\$4,523,157</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	0.00	3.00	0.00	0.00

<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,672,120	\$0	\$1,665,393
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,672,120</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,665,393</b>

Explanation of Revenues

This is part of the County General Fund plus \$1,665,393 is a portion of direct State funding for Grant in Aid SB1145 from State Department of Corrections allocation of 16.04% to Multnomah County per the 2023-2025 Community Corrections Allocations equal to \$40,472,369. The County's allocation is shared among LPSCC, the Sheriff's Office, and the Department of Community Justice. Funding provides support to county community corrections programs meeting the requirements of ORS 423.525 of supervision, services, and local sanctions to be applied to adults on supervision sentenced or convicted of felonies, designated drug-related misdemeanors, or designated person misdemeanors and on supervision in the county. Goals of community corrections programs include reduction of criminal behavior, assisting offenders to change, and providing reparation to victims and community. FY 2025 budget is DCJ's share of the remaining available balance allocation for the 2nd year from the state DOC 2023-2025 Community Corrections Allocations to Multnomah County.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 50034 Assessment and Referral Center - Housing

Personnel Costs: Shifted the 3.00 FTEs SHS positions from PO 50034A to PO 50034B.

FY2025 includes reductions in Transition Housing to meet general fund constraint for a total of \$669,653.

In addition, in FY2024 this budget included one-time-only contract budgets for SUD/MH Evaluation and Case Consultants; Couch Street Recovery Homes and Couch Street Rental Subsidies, for a total of \$271,188. Those contracts are being requested as ongoing on program offer 50046.