

Program #30301A - Housing Placement & Retention - Homeless Families 7/6/2021

Department: Joint Office of Homeless Services **Program Contact:** Marc Jolin
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Homeless Family System of Care's Mobile Housing Team (MHT) works collaboratively as a leadership/direct service team to address the unique housing needs of homeless families in Multnomah County. Through this program offer, MHT, in partnership with Family Futures, Neighborhood House, and Housing Choice Voucher programs, when combined with 30301B, will maintain current capacity to house and provide equitable retention support services to hundreds of families with minor children, using a combination of housing placement and retention staffing and flexible rent/client assistance. MHT is a collaboration of Multnomah County and nine community partners, the majority of which are culturally specific service providers.

Program Summary

The Homeless Family System of Care (HFSC) is the primary coordinated effort to assist families experiencing homelessness to make a rapid and sustainable transition back into permanent housing. It is a collaboration of agency leaders and direct service staff that practice shared budgeting, leveraging of resources, shared accountability, case consultation and ongoing process improvement. The system has shared values that include the practice of assertive engagement, using an equity lens to advance racial and social justice, and a shared commitment that all families should be housed. The majority of agencies in the collaborative are culturally specific providers.

When combined with 30301B, this program offer will provide 800 households with housing placement/retention services, including short- to medium-term flexible rent assistance (0-24 months) and client assistance. Eligible families may be living in shelter, doubled-up, experiencing domestic violence, living on the streets or in cars, or other places not meant for human habitation. A broader definition of homelessness allows the system to serve families that are most vulnerable in a variety of living situations equitably. In FY 2020, 81% of the families served through MHT identified as being from communities of color, achieving the A Home for Everyone (AHFE) goal of improving access and outcomes for these communities.

Families experiencing homelessness access the system through Coordinated Access staff, who screen families for immediate safety and overall vulnerability. Because many more families are seeking housing assistance than MHT is resourced to provide, families are prioritized based on vulnerability, housing opportunity and provider capacity.

This program leverages Federal and State funding including U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development grants.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer
Output	Number of households newly placed or retained in housing	1,074	550	3,300	550
Outcome	Percentage of households retaining housing at 6 months post-exit	89%	80%	85%	85%
Output	Overrepresented BIPOC placed or retained in housing at rate as high or higher than percent of population*	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes

Performance Measures Descriptions

The COVID-19 pandemic, which began in FY 2020, has significantly impacted the performance measures associated with this program offer.

*This is a new equity measure intended to demonstrate whether program offer investments are meeting the commitment to reduce racial disparities in homelessness overall, and in specific programs.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Personnel	\$63,498	\$124,223	\$67,348	\$85,652
Contractual Services	\$3,133,342	\$1,257,500	\$3,263,220	\$1,277,620
Internal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,374
Total GF/non-GF	\$3,196,840	\$1,381,723	\$3,330,568	\$1,364,646
Program Total:	\$4,578,563		\$4,695,214	
Program FTE	0.50	0.75	0.50	0.50

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,257,500	\$0	\$1,364,646
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$0	\$79,730	\$0
Total Revenue	\$0	\$1,257,500	\$79,730	\$1,364,646

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$1,374 in indirect revenues.
 HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Planning Grant \$44,200
 City of Portland General Fund \$1,320,446
 Multnomah County Tax Title \$79,730

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2021: 10053C Housing Placement & Retention - Homeless Families

When combined with program offer 30301B, the family system rent assistance is fully funded.