

<b>Priority:</b>	Safety Net Services	<b>Lead Agency:</b>	County Human
<b>Program Offer Type:</b>	Existing Operating	<b>Program Contact:</b>	Ray Hudson
<b>Related Programs:</b>	25038, 25087		
<b>Frameworks:</b>	Early Childhood Framework		

### **Executive Summary**

Services are tied to Adult Residential Treatment and allow children and their custodial single parent to stay together in the same residential treatment facility while the parent completes alcohol and drug treatment. Keeps children out of foster care while allowing parents to receive treatment, including parenting skills enhancement.

### **Program Description**

Housing Services for Dependent Children is an integrated part of Alcohol and Drug Adult Residential Treatment (Program Offer 25038). There are three culturally competent adult residential programs that provide simultaneous care for children while allowing the child's parent to maintain a supervised parenting relationship. Comprehensive services are provided for infants and young children (prenatal and pediatric health care, nursery care, room and board for toddlers, and preschool services) as well as enhanced services to the parent (prenatal health care, parenting skills, observed parent/child interactions, vocational, and transportation services). While most of the parents are women, this service can also be provided to men who are parenting. The number of children a woman can have at the time of acceptance into treatment is not limited.

### **Program Justification**

Lack of care for her child can be a barrier for an addicted woman and can keep her from entering treatment. Fear of separation from a newborn child can keep a substance abusing pregnant woman from seeking treatment during her pregnancy. Having your children with you at the treatment center can mean the difference between seeking treatment or not. This program is about eliminating treatment barriers for pregnant women and women with young children. The program works in unison with adult residential treatment to stop long-term dependency on the social services system by teaching clients to develop a recovery-based lifestyle, make a successful transition into independent living arrangements, and be quality parents to their children.

Studies on drug-exposed infants indicate that it costs an additional \$7,700 in medical care before the infant can leave the hospital. This program combats the low birth weight and premature delivery that leads to additional medical care for drug-exposed infants. The mothers become and stay drug and alcohol free, the children grow up healthier and the families have a better chance of staying together. All of this leads to long-term savings in child health and welfare as well as the criminal justice systems.

The program meets the basic living needs priority because it directly addresses basic physical and behavioral health (addictions) needs of high risk clients who are unable to provide for their own care and provides direct support for families.

This program fits into the Early Childhood Framework by providing culturally competent and coordinated health and social services and by giving parents the tools to strengthen their families.

### **Performance Measures**

Custodial parents will be able to enter addictions treatment while keeping custody of their dependent child.

Parent will be able to regain custody of their child while in addictions treatment.

The 32 beds will be maintained at 100 percent utilization.

### **Summary of last year's program results and this year's expected results**

Comprehensive services will be provided to approximately 48 infants and/or young children in 2006.

**Program Mandate: 3 Program Choice but No Funding/Service Level Choice**

"ORS 430.380 Mental Health Alcoholism and Drug Services Account; uses  
 ORS 430.630 Services to be provided by community mental health and developmental disabilities program; local mental health authorities; local mental health services plan  
 ORS 90.243 Qualifications for drug and alcohol free housing; "program of recovery" defined  
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**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2005	2005	2006	2006
<b>Program Expenses</b>				
Contracts	\$0	\$350,399	\$0	\$350,399
<b>Subtotal: Direct Exps:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$350,399</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$350,399</b>
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$2,838	\$8,030
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$8,115	\$9,318
<b>Subtotal: Other Exps:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,953</b>	<b>\$17,348</b>
<b>Total GF/non-GF:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$350,399</b>	<b>\$10,953</b>	<b>\$367,747</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$350,399</b>		<b>\$378,700</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$350,399	\$0	\$350,399
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,348
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$350,399</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$367,747</b>

**Explanation of Revenues**

This program is totally funded by the State Mental Health Grant, \$350,399.

**Significant Program Changes**

None anticipated.