

Priority: Basic Needs
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs: 25080, 25093, 25113A

Lead Agency: County Human Services
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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Detoxification is the first step towards recovery from addiction for the most vulnerable severely addicted and lowest income persons in Multnomah County. Individuals are medically monitored 24 hours a day in a safe environment as they detoxify from alcohol and drugs, and may start in basic treatment groups when possible.

Program Description

Detoxification is the primary entrance point into alcohol and drug services for homeless, addicted persons. The Hooper Detoxification Center is the County's primary fully integrated alcohol and drug residential detoxification program where the addictions, physical, and mental, health needs of the clients are all addressed during their five to seven day stay. This program successfully detoxifies a highly vulnerable and diverse client population through complex withdrawals from multiple chemicals including alcohol, opiates, methamphetamine, sedatives, cocaine/crack, hallucinogenic substances and chemical combinations. Acupuncture is offered to all clients because it reduces the physiological stress during detoxification so that individuals are more likely to remain in detoxification, it reduces craving following detoxification, and it diminishes other conditions such as depression. A individualized detoxification exit plan refers and connects clients with residential and outpatient treatment programs, mental health programs, community based alcohol and drug self help programs, market rate and subsidized housing, employment, and the wide range of needs of vulnerable homeless addicted persons.

The current 54 bed, 24-hour-a-day, 7-day-a-week detoxification program serves a population that is constantly evolving including ethnic diversity, health conditions, mental health needs, chemical use, and sexual orientation. The detoxification program has developed into an integrated medical clinic with primary care and dual-diagnoses services including three primary clinics and three psychiatric nurse practitioner clinics per week.

Program Justification

This program links directly to the Basic Needs priority by addressing the abuse of alcohol and other drugs in a highly vulnerable and diverse client population. Detoxification services focus on the physical and mental health of the clients. The program moves clients toward greater self-sufficiency by connecting them with further addictions treatment, housing resources, employment opportunities, and health care which are all part of the Basic Needs priority. Further, this program connects directly to the Poverty Framework by addressing the health needs of adults, providing linkages to employment services, and providing information on and referral to other necessary social services. It also links to the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness by linking vulnerable persons completing detoxification to the treatment, health care, housing, and other services needed to resolve their homelessness.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY04-05)	Current Year Purchased (FY05-06)	Current Year Estimate (FY05-06)	Next Year Offer (FY06-07)
Output	Number of clients served in detoxification.	2,519	2,700	3,127	2,700
Outcome	Percent of clients leaving with a complete alcohol detoxification.	83%	80%	0%	80%
Outcome	Percent of clients leaving with a complete drug detoxification.	66%	60%	0%	60%

Performance Measure - Description

Data for Fiscal Year (FY) 2005-06 Current Year Estimate is incomplete. Data is from the State Client Process Monitoring System (CPMS) for July 1 through September 30, 2005. This 3 month period shows a much higher than normal number of clients served when annualized. Actual numbers from FY 2001-02 through FY 2003-04 shows an average annual number of clients of 2,746 with a completion percentage for alcohol of 82% and drug 62%.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Contractual Obligations: Because Multnomah County accepts the State Mental Health Grant; we are obligated to spend funds in accordance with regulations regarding State Service Elements (i.e. Service Element A-D 66 is Continuum of Care Services). Also, State Local 2145 Beer and Wine tax revenues are provided to counties on a dedicated formula basis and are restricted to alcohol and drug services.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2006	2006	2007	2007
Contracts	\$745,172	\$1,426,882	\$755,234	\$1,426,882
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$745,172	\$1,426,882	\$755,234	\$1,426,882
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$29,641	\$48,430
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$85,791	\$70,500
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$115,432	\$118,930
Total GF/non-GF:	\$745,172	\$1,426,882	\$870,666	\$1,545,812
Program Total:	\$2,172,054		\$2,416,478	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,426,882	\$0	\$1,426,882
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$118,930
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$1,426,882	\$0	\$1,545,812

Explanation of Revenues

Funded with \$35,793 of Local 2145 Beer & Wine tax revenue; \$1,391,089 State Mental Health Grant; and \$755,234 in County General Fund.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #25030, A&D Detoxification