

Priority: Basic Needs
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs:

Lead Agency: County Human Services
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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

This comprehensive treatment program provides 48 units of single-room housing, support services and on-site mental health and dual diagnosis treatment for severely mentally ill persons. These individuals are homeless or face substantial risk of homelessness. The program, housed at the Bridgeview facility, also includes outreach and case management services.

Program Description

Mental Health Transitional Housing for adults at the Bridgeview plays a critical role in the spectrum of housing options in the community. It provides an array of integrated services including dual diagnosis treatment to individuals with mental illness and addictions who have not been successful in permanent housing and are at risk of homelessness. The program adopts the 'Housing First' approach from the 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness, i.e. individuals do not have to be stabilized before being considered for housing. Individuals who are homeless are offered integrated services and housing aimed at facilitating recovery through a harm-reduction model. Since the housing is transitional, residents are evaluated every six months to determine if they are ready for permanent housing. A resident can remain housed up to two years awaiting permanent housing.

The program is staffed 24 hours a day by mental health professionals who offer support, crisis intervention, evidenced based dual-diagnosis treatment and planning assistance. Housing specialists assist in securing permanent and affordable housing, an integral component of the 10-year Plan to End Homelessness. Psychiatric medical staff is on-site several days a week for medication assessment and dispensing services. For physical healthcare, staff accompany residents to local clinics.

Program Justification

This program addresses the Basic Living Needs priorities by providing integrated dual diagnosis treatment to vulnerable members of the community and assisting these individuals in obtaining permanent and livable housing. Individuals receive on-site case management to develop the natural community supports necessary to their success in permanent housing. The program also addresses the 10-year Plan to End Homelessness by transitioning vulnerable mentally ill persons from potential homelessness to permanent housing and self-sufficiency. Evidence in the literature demonstrates that persons with severe mental illness and substance abuse achieve better housing outcomes with a comprehensive program like the Bridgeview.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY05-06)	Current Year Purchased (FY06-07)	Current Year Estimate (FY06-07)	Next Year Offer (FY07-08)
Output	Total Individuals Served	158	160	160	160
Outcome	Percent Individuals Placed Into Transitional Housing 1*	77.0%	89.0%	88.0%	89.0%
Output	Percent Individuals Placed Into Permanent Housing 2*	69.0%	60.0%	62.0%	60.0%

Performance Measure - Description

Total unduplicated individuals served in Bridgeview Transitional Housing including women served through Bridgeview Women's Emergency Shelter.

1* Percent individuals placed in transitional housing is a count of unduplicated individuals who were placed in transitional housing after leaving Bridgeview.

2* Percent of individuals placed in permanent housing is a count of unduplicated individuals placed in permanent housing but some individuals are also included in the percent in item 1*. A person may need to be placed first into a transitional housing situation and then step up into permanent housing.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Oregon Administrative Rule 309-032-0525 Standards for Adult Mental Health Services.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2007	2007	2008	2008
Contracts	\$300,038	\$483,962	\$309,038	\$483,962
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$300,038	\$483,962	\$309,038	\$483,962
Administration	\$11,776	\$16,426	\$19,593	\$17,327
Program Support	\$34,083	\$23,912	\$47,057	\$10,648
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$45,859	\$40,338	\$66,650	\$27,975
Total GF/non-GF:	\$345,897	\$524,300	\$375,688	\$511,937
Program Total:	\$870,197		\$887,625	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$483,962	\$0	\$483,962
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$40,338	\$0	\$27,975
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$524,300	\$0	\$511,937

Explanation of Revenues

\$483,962 from State Mental Health Grant Award - estimated 07-09 biennium contract.

Significant Program ChangesLast year this program was: #25060, Mental Health Transitional Housing