

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

Lead Agency: County Human Services
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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

This program provides a safety net that fills gaps in federal and state programs for persons who are uninsured or underinsured. Low-cost brief interventions prevent homelessness and poor nutrition. The program purchases medications and personal care for 1,403 vulnerable elderly and disabled residents. The program addresses unmet needs and prevents catastrophes for those under 185% (\$1,603 per/month) of the federal poverty level.

Program Description

Aging and Disability Services' Basic Needs program helps 1,403 vulnerable elderly and people with disabilities in five ways. 1) Housing: Pays fees and rent for those facing eviction or who are already homeless. Provides deposits to secure subsidized housing and minor home repair and modifications to support safe, livable housing. 2) Prescriptions: Covers out of pocket medication costs associated with Medicare Part D program including co-pays, deductibles and uncovered "donut hole" expenses that may total up to \$4,050 per year. 3) Care Coordination: Multnomah Project Independence (MPI) case managers authorize personal care, in-home services, shopping, transportation to medical appointments and other critical services for physically disabled residents not eligible for Medicaid or Oregon Project Independence. 4) Special Needs: Pays for uncovered wheelchair repairs, durable medical equipment and supplies, dentures and other supports in emergencies. 5) Support services: Pays for home delivered meals, transportation for medical appointments and grocery shopping, and essential supports. The program provides easy access to information, assistance and services by coordinating a broad range of community partners including culturally specific providers doing outreach in minority communities.

Program Justification

This offer links to the 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness and the Basic Living Needs Priority strategies by serving the most vulnerable low-income seniors and people with disabilities. The program serves those who do not have access to medications, health care, food or safe, permanent and livable housing because of restricted state and federal services. This program coordinates access to care, addresses chronic, urgent care needs, and assures transition to permanent and affordable housing. Without this help, many will go without necessities, eventually needing more costly County services. This program prevents homelessness and premature institutionalization by providing wraparound services that support good health and permanent, stable housing.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY06-07)	Current Year Purchased (FY07-08)	Current Year Estimate (FY07-08)	Next Year Offer (FY08-09)
Output	Clients receiving housing assistance ¹	639	310	640	640
Outcome	6 month housing retention rate ²	86.8%	80.0%	86.3%	88.0%
Output	Clients receiving one or more: medication, special needs, MPI services ³	728	650	600	600

Performance Measure - Description

 **Measure Changed**

¹Measure reflects housing assistance clients in both ADS programs: 25020 and 25021; FY08 Purchased based on 25021 only.

²Measure reflects housing retention rate for clients receiving housing assistance in both ADS programs: 25020 and 25021.

³Reflects FY08 budget reduction.

Measure removed "Clients who self report stable or improved health status at 12 months" due to difficulty obtaining this type of qualitative measure.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2008	2008	2009	2009
Personnel	\$104,896	\$0	\$105,874	\$0
Contracts	\$538,738	\$0	\$521,897	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$391,756	\$0	\$544,495	\$0
Internal Services	\$10,512	\$0	\$10,901	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$1,045,902	\$0	\$1,183,167	\$0
Administration	\$46,534	\$0	\$40,332	\$0
Program Support	\$137,162	\$0	\$82,496	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$183,696	\$0	\$122,828	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,229,598	\$0	\$1,305,995	\$0
Program Total:	\$1,229,598		\$1,305,995	
Program FTE	1.50	0.00	1.50	0.00
Program Revenues				
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #25021, ADS Emergency Basic Needs for Vulnerable Adults

This Program Offer includes a 3% inflationary increase of \$8,342 over FY08 for the County General Fund portion of contracted client services.