

**Lead Agency:** County Human Services

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**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating

**Related Programs:**

**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

The Homeless Youth System (HYS) is a highly collaborative system comprised of four non-profit agencies that provide a continuum of screening, crisis intervention, safety services, shelter, assertive engagement, housing, education, employment and health services to approximately 1,000 homeless youth up to age 25 annually.

This system is integrated with the public safety system and is a jointly funded collaboration among DCHS, DCJ, the city of Portland, Portland Police Bureau, Citizens Crime Commission, Portland Business Alliance, the State, Outside In, New Avenues for Youth, Janus Youth Programs, Native American Youth & Family Center and the community.

Services ensure that up to 75% of those served exit to safe stable housing and that 75% of those remain in safe, stable housing for at least six months post exit.

**Program Description**

The HYS provides late stage intervention for 1,000 homeless youth annually through: 24/7 crisis and safety services; shelter; assertive engagement and linkage to long-term community supports; transitional and permanent housing; education and employment services; and alcohol, tobacco and other drugs, mental and other health services.

System accountability is managed through the Homeless Youth Oversight Committee (HYOC), a citizen body appointed by the Chair with representation that includes the Citizen's Crime Commission, Portland Business Alliance, DHS, Juvenile Rights Project, city of Portland, Health and Community Justice Departments, service providers and homeless youth.

The system continues to engage in the redesign process for anticipated full implementation in 2011.

Homeless youth visibility has a direct impact on citizen perception of safety. Homeless youth are particularly vulnerable to crime, to be preyed upon, or to victimize others as they attempt to survive on the streets. Through joint planning and regular cross jurisdictional meetings, services are exceptionally integrated with public safety and other service systems, with significant community oversight.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY08-09)	Current Year Purchased (FY09-10)	Current Year Estimate (FY09-10)	Next Year Offer (FY10-11)
Output	# of homeless youth served	994	1,000	1,000	1,000
Outcome	% of youth served that remain in permanent housing six months after exit <sup>1</sup>	75.0%	75.0%	75.0%	75.0%

**Performance Measure - Description**

<sup>1</sup> Permanent housing is long-term community-based housing, with attached appropriate support services, where an individual can stay without time limit.

**Legal/Contractual Obligation****Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2010	2010	2011	2011
Personnel	\$75,460	\$0	\$121,170	\$456
Contracts	\$2,017,200	\$1,091,525	\$1,997,544	\$1,094,645
Materials & Supplies	\$2,030	\$0	\$4,054	\$0
Internal Services	\$12,591	\$9,403	\$19,395	\$8,947
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$2,107,281</b>	<b>\$1,100,928</b>	<b>\$2,142,163</b>	<b>\$1,104,048</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$3,208,209</b>		<b>\$3,246,211</b>	
Program FTE	0.83	0.00	1.33	0.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$4,818	\$0	\$5,697	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,100,928	\$0	\$1,104,048
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$4,818</b>	<b>\$1,100,928</b>	<b>\$5,697</b>	<b>\$1,104,048</b>

**Explanation of Revenues**

\$200,578 HUD Horizons/Pathways

\$903,470 PDX General Fund

FY11 projections are based on anticipated continuation of current FY10 funding level

\$2,142,163 - County General Fund

**Significant Program Changes**

Last year this program was: #25136, Homeless Youth System

This program offer includes a 2% inflationary increase of \$ 40,344 over FY10 for the County General Fund portion of contracted client services.