

### Program # 25111A - Homeless Families' Shelter and Emergency Services

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

**Related Programs:** 

**Program Characteristics:** 

#### **Executive Summary**

Homeless Families' Shelter and Emergency Services provides year-round day and night shelter, access and referral to supportive services, housing placement and retention support, and increased winter capacity through the Warming Center to approximately 270 homeless households with children annually.

In partnership with faith-based congregations, non-profit providers, the City of Portland, and the community, the county's financial investment is leveraged, on average, \$2 for every \$1 provided.

60 households annually are placed into housing and provided with rent assistance, as well as placement retention support resulting in 85% remaining in permanent housing six months after exit.

#### **Program Description**

In FY 09-10, the Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) documented 6,122 households with children, receiving food stamps in Multnomah County who self-reported that they were homeless. The majority of these families are largely invisible to the community because homeless family households are much more likely to be doubled up, couch surfing, or living in cars.

Leveraging new faith-based, non-profit, and jurisdictional partnerships put into action, in some cases for the first time in FY 09-10, the county has created a true year-round system of care for homeless families. Utilizing this base, the investment of general funds is leveraged and maximized. It is also anticipated that over time, by providing services year round, potential need during the winter may be reduced as families won't have to wait until the winter in order to leave the streets or other unsafe or inappropriate shelter situations.

#### **Performance Measures**

| Measure<br>Type | Primary Measure  | Previous<br>Year Actual<br>(FY09-10) | Current<br>Year<br>Purchased<br>(FY10-11) | Current<br>Year<br>Estimate<br>(FY10-11) | Next Year<br>Offer<br>(FY11-12) |
|-----------------|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|
| Output          | # of households served   | 289                                  | 270                                       | 270                                      | 270                             |
|                 | % of households who remain in permanent housing six months after exit <sup>1</sup> | 85.0%                                | 75.0%                                     | 75.0%                                    | 75.0%                           |

### **Performance Measure - Description**

<sup>&</sup>lt;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**

N/A

# Revenue/Expense Detail

|                      | Proposed General<br>Fund | Proposed Other Funds | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds |  |  |  |
|----------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|
| Program Expenses     | 2011                     | 2011                 | 2012                  | 2012                 |  |  |  |
| Contracts            | \$433,000                | \$0                  | \$691,009             | \$0                  |  |  |  |
| Materials & Supplies | \$15,000                 | \$0                  | \$0                   | \$0                  |  |  |  |
| Total GF/non-GF:     | \$448,000                | \$0                  | \$691,009             | \$0                  |  |  |  |
| Program Total:       | \$448                    | 3,000                | \$691                 | 1,009                |  |  |  |
| Program FTE          | 0.00                     | 0.00                 | 0.00                  | 0.00                 |  |  |  |
| Program Revenues     |                          |                      |                       |                      |  |  |  |
| Total Revenue:       | \$0                      | \$0                  | \$0                   | \$0                  |  |  |  |

## **Explanation of Revenues**

\$691,009 - County General Fund

# Significant Program Changes

## Last year this program was:

This program offer includes funding for existing services, in whole or in part, from the following FY11 program offers: 25120 Homeless Families Shelter (\$280,000) - entire offer, 25133 Housing Stabilization for Vulnerable Populations (\$62,285) - part of offer, 25134 Warming Center (\$153,000) - entire offer.