

Lead Agency: County Human Services

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

Housing Stabilization for Vulnerable Populations provides rent assistance, transitional housing, and homeless children's education to more than 887 homeless households with children a year.

These services help our most vulnerable homeless and marginally housed families with children maintain their housing and avoid homelessness; once homeless find homes and receive long-term support; and, keep children who are homeless in school and progressing, working with them on the path to self-sufficiency.

The County's Housing Team is also supported in this program offer.

Program Description

The unified Short Term Rent Assistance (STRA) System serves 634 households with rent assistance, mortgage payment, and emergency shelter vouchers annually. Approximately 97% of those placed in housing remain housed six months after exit.

Three facilities-based transition housing sites house approximately 64 households for up to two years.

Approximately 39 children living in homeless families receive alternative education and support services. For children living in homeless families, educational support and alternative education services ensure that to the greatest extent possible these children do not lose critical steps toward academic success and long term self-sufficiency.

The county invests in a number of housing and support services programs within DCHS and other departments. Services have been targeted to specific populations, exist within different departments and divisions, and for the most part have operated in isolation from each other. The county's Housing Team - representing all county departments and divisions - determines opportunities for collaboration or potential efficiencies across programs, and to share best practice, results and innovation.

Cross-jurisdictional work with the City of Portland, the City of Gresham, and the Housing Authority of Portland is also supported - especially with the 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY09-10)	Current Year Purchased (FY10-11)	Current Year Estimate (FY10-11)	Next Year Offer (FY11-12)
Output	# of households receiving rent assistance or housing ¹	926	1,200	887	489
Outcome	% of households served that remain in permanent housing six months after exit	89.0%	90.0%	73.0%	80.0%

Performance Measure - Description

¹ This offer only includes a subset of services included in the offer last year, because of restructuring of program offers. Therefore, fewer households will be served through this offer next year.

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 Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2011	2011	2012	2012
Program Expenses				
Personnel	\$352,331	\$52,932	\$380,188	\$45,165
Contracts	\$1,068,032	\$548,661	\$850,023	\$554,597
Materials & Supplies	\$12,196	\$0	\$10,205	\$0
Internal Services	\$71,179	\$24,968	\$42,188	\$27,515
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,503,738	\$626,561	\$1,282,604	\$627,277
Program Total:	\$2,130,299		\$1,909,881	
Program FTE	3.46	0.54	3.54	0.46
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$15,897	\$0	\$13,640	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$626,561	\$0	\$627,277
Total Revenue:	\$15,897	\$626,561	\$13,640	\$627,277

Explanation of Revenues

\$278,736 HUD Home Safe: Based on FY11 revised budget
 \$313,541 OHCSH HSP,LIRHF,SHAP,EHA: Based on FY11 revised budget
 \$35,000 PDX General Fund: Based on current grant award
 \$1,282,604 County General Fund

Significant Program Changes
 **Significantly Changed**

Last year this program was: #25133, Housing Stabilization for Vulnerable Populations

The following services have been removed from this program offer: interfaith initiative and winter shelter.

The Interfaith Initiative (1 FTE Program Development Specialist, Senior position), has been moved to program offer 25139A Anti-Poverty Services.

Winter Shelter (\$62,285) has been moved to program offer 25111A Homeless Families' Shelter and Emergency Services.