

Lead Agency: County Human Services

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: Out of Target

Executive Summary

East County Homeless Outreach provides on-going assessment of, and response to the outreach needs of homeless populations currently camping in East County cities. In collaboration with the Sheriff's Office, and other east county city police departments, \$75,000 of one-time-only funding was provided in FY 10-11 that leveraged existing outreach staffing capacity funded by the City of Portland and provided flexible rent assistance and other support services.

This program offer requests on-going funding for services. Approximately 60 individuals or households will be served annually.

Program Description

As poverty continues to move east, homelessness and resultant camping is moving east as well. The Sheriff and East County cities' law enforcement agencies have conducted increased interdiction and suppression activities with local area illegal camping. When these activities occur, there is no outreach mechanism available to assist individuals in mitigating the impact of these events.

Using the existing successful collaboration between law enforcement and homeless outreach providers in the City of Portland as the model, the program has created capacity for response to the outreach needs of the Sheriff and East County cities' law enforcement agencies during FY 10-11.

Initial data and narrative reports point to strong relationships having been built among homeless outreach providers and law enforcement, resulting in 10 households having been placed in permanent housing with rent assistance.

When law enforcement schedules a sweep of a camp site, they post notices and contact city funded outreach workers to work with residents prior to the action. By balancing the need to enforce anti-camping laws with the reality of the lack of housing for the homeless, a humane approach is offered for those directly impacted.

In addition, Sheriff's deputies and outreach staff are able to collaborate when law enforcement comes across a homeless individual or family where there is concern for their well-being.

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 homeless households contacted	0	60	60	60
Outcome	# of households placed in housing	0	20	15	12

Performance Measure - Description

Legal/Contractual Obligation

N/A

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2011	2011	2012	2012
Contracts	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000	\$0
Program Total:	\$75,000		\$75,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

\$75,000 - County General Fund

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #25124, East County Homeless Outreach
 There are no significant changes to this program offer.