

Lead Agency: County Human Services

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

Homeless Families' Shelter and Emergency Services (HFSES) provides year-round day and night shelter, access and referral to supportive services, housing placement and retention support, and increased winter capacity through the Family Warming Center to approximately 320 homeless households with children and 50,000 callers to 211info 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 invested.

90 households annually are placed into housing and provided with rent assistance, as well as placement retention support resulting in 80% 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 they are much more likely to be doubled up or couch surfing.

In FY 10-11 the Point-In-Time Street Count documented a 35% increase from the 2009 Count in the number of families with children living on the streets, in cars, or other places not meant for human habitation.

Leveraging faith-based, non-profit, and jurisdictional partnerships, the county has created a true year-round system of care for homeless families, providing day and night shelter, access and referral to supportive services, housing placement and retention support, and increased winter capacity. 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 living situations.

In addition, 211info provides general health and human services referrals for the community at large, specialized winter shelter access services, and emergency response functions as part of the system of care.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY10-11)	Current Year Purchased (FY11-12)	Current Year Estimate (FY11-12)	Next Year Offer (FY12-13)
Output	# of households served with shelter or emergency services ¹	218	270	320	270
Outcome	% of households served that remain in housing 6 months after exit ²	98.0%	75.0%	80.0%	80.0%

Performance Measure - Description

¹ Increase in current year estimated output number is as a result of significant investment of one-time-only resources in FY 11-12. This may not be replicated in FY 12-13.

² 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
Program Expenses	2012	2012	2013	2013
Contracts	\$1,124,471	\$0	\$534,562	\$336,144
Internal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,435
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,124,471	\$0	\$534,562	\$347,579
Program Total:	\$1,124,471		\$882,141	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$0	\$0	\$6,138	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$347,579
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$6,138	\$347,579

Explanation of Revenues

\$347,579 OHCSO SHAP,EHA: Based on current grant award
 \$534,562 County General Fund

Significant Program Changes
 **Significantly Changed**

Last year this program was: #25111A, Homeless Families' Shelter and Emergency Services
 FY 2012's Program Offer 25141-211 Info Line contracted funding was moved to be included in this program offer.