

# Research EPlanning Community Justice

## People Served

Services to DCJ clients who are experiencing houselessness, as well as acute mental health needs, were reduced due to COVID-19 requirements. This increased barriers to obtaining necessary resources such as adequate food and clothing. The DCJ Mental Health Unit (MHU) Outreach Van program was established to address these barriers.

**Start Date:** May 10, 2021

#### In the First Year of Operation:

- ♦ 130 days of outreach
- ♦ 6,464 people served



### Supplies Provided

During the first year of operation, the MHU Outreach Van provided a number of supplies to individuals experiencing houselessness, adjusting the types of supplies as needed to fully support those individuals.

#### 15,552 supplies were given out by the MHU Outreach Van in its first year of operation!

- 6,700 Food items (e.g., lunch, snacks)
- 5,455 Beverages (e.g., Gatorade packets, juice, water)
  - 943 Shelter items (e.g., blankets, sleeping bags, tents, tarps)
  - 863 Clothing items (e.g., pants, socks, sweatshirts, underwear, backpacks)
  - Hygiene products (e.g., baby wipes, first aid kits, hygiene kits, masks, toilet paper)
  - Weather-related supplies (e.g., gloves, hats, hand/body warmers, raingear)
  - 117 General gear items (e.g., bungee cords, flashlights, notepads)
  - 75 TriMet tickets
  - 67 Other supplies

