Multnomah County				
Program #30206B - Safety off the Streets - Winter Shelter & Severe Weather - Restoration				
Department:	Joint Office of Homeless Services	Program Contact:	Shannon Singleton	
Program Offer Type:	Existing Operating Program	Program Offer Stage:	As Adopted	
Related Programs:				
Program Characteristic	s:			

Executive Summary

The Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS) convenes the Homeless Family System of Care (HFSC), which works collaboratively as a leadership and direct service team to address the unique needs of homeless families in Multnomah County. This program offer maintains the HFSC current capacity to support sheltering families during the winter season and severe weather events, utilizing navigators and motel vouchers. Prior to FY 2023, this programming was funded with limited-term Tax Title resources.

Program Summary

This program offer funds placing families in motels during the winter season and severe weather events. For winter shelter programming, housing navigators work from the Family Shelter waitlist to verify homelessness and connect families with a motel until there is an opening with a shelter or with the Mobile Housing Team. During severe weather activations, families who call 211 seeking shelter are connected with a housing navigator who will help place them into a motel for the duration of a severe weather event. A majority of families served through severe weather events remain in motels through the Winter Shelter program until they can be connected to services.

Placing families into private rooms holds the integrity of the Homeless Family Systems of Care's dedication to move away from congregate shelter. Families report more comfort and feelings of safety when in their own space, making this the most trauma informed and culturally competent sheltering option for families.

The Winter Shelter and Severe Weather programs are low barrier, life saving measures that seek to place families indoors during the coldest times of the year. Between November 1st, 2021, and January 31st, 2022, 52 families had been served in the Winter Shelter and Severe Weather program, which is the most families that have been served through this program to date. Housing navigation staff work enables families to be in close range of their children's schools, parents' workplaces, and support networks to mitigate disruption in their lives. Families of color have the option of working with culturally specific housing navigators who work to connect them to culturally specific agencies for longer term services.

Performance Measures						
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer	
Output	Number of winter emergency shelter beds for families	150	75	175	100	
Outcome	Number of families that receive the safety of shelter	60	30	60	40	
Outcome	BIPOC served at rate as high or higher than percent of HUD homeless population	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Performa	nce Measures Descriptions					

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds		
Program Expenses	2022	2022	2023	2023		
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$575,870	\$0		
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$575,870	\$0		
Program Total:	\$0	\$0		\$575,870		
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Program Revenues						
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: