

Program #10052B - Safety off the Streets - Women's Shelter

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program Program Offer Stage: As Proposed

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

A Home for Everyone (AHFE) has prioritized maintaining year-round shelter, particularly for people who are more vulnerable on the street such as women, seniors and people with disabilities. This program offer maintains essential funding for 336 beds of year-round 24/7 emergency shelter for women, including the Gresham Women's Shelter, a Domestic Violence (DV) informed low-barrier shelter that opened Fall 2016.

Program Summary

A January 2015 Point-in-Time count found 566 women living on the streets. The AHFE Executive Committee increased local investment in shelter for women, and two years later the 2017 count showed a nearly 17% decrease. While good news, there were still 471 unsheltered women on a given night in Multnomah County, which requires ongoing commitment to prioritize shelter and housing resources for this population.

While it does not end a person's homelessness, emergency shelter is vital to protecting the basic health and safety of individuals while they are experiencing homelessness. This program funds 336 emergency shelter beds for women. Funds are contracted to nonprofit providers to pay the operating expenses for shelter, including maintenance, staffing, materials and supplies, and on-site services.

These beds include the Gresham Women's Shelter, which opened in the Fall of 2016 with 90 year-round, 24/7 emergency shelter beds. It is the first publicly funded year-round shelter for adults in Gresham. The shelter is DV-informed and designed to alleviate the pressure points in the DV system while providing homeless women with emergency shelter options. This shelter partners with 211, The Gateway Center, and Call to Safety to screen for eligibility and coordinate intake.

In addition to providing a safe place to stay, these shelters are essential locations for women to learn about and access the services they need to find permanent housing, acquire an income, and receive health-related services. Services are delivered through contractors that adhere to A Home for Everyone's Community Guidelines for shelter, which includes delivering services in accordance with the principles of assertive engagement and trauma-informed care.

| Performance Measures | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---|----------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| Measure Type | Primary Measure | FY18 Actual | FY19 Purchased | FY19 Estimate | FY20 Offer | | | | |
| Output | Number of year-round emergency shelter beds | 330 | 330 | 336 | 336 | | | | |
| Outcome | People served in year-round emergency shelter beds* | 2,113 | 3,310 | 1,750 | 1,750 | | | | |

Performance Measures Descriptions

*FY19 Purchased Outcomes were based on FY17 outcomes, that were much higher than anticipated. The rapid shelter turnover in FY17 was anomalous and we are returning to rates more similar to previous years. We are also seeing longer shelter stays because of an increasingly high need population in shelter and continuing difficulties finding permanent housing.

Revenue/Expense Detail

| | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds |
|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Program Expenses | 2019 | 2019 | 2020 | 2020 |
| Contractual Services | \$142,830 | \$3,428,510 | \$148,550 | \$3,485,310 |
| Materials & Supplies | \$90,000 | \$0 | \$14,840 | \$78,230 |
| Total GF/non-GF | \$232,830 | \$3,428,510 | \$163,390 | \$3,563,540 |
| Program Total: | \$3,661,340 | | \$3,726,930 | |
| Program FTE | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

| Program Revenues | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|-------------|-----|-------------|--|--|--|
| Intergovernmental | \$0 | \$3,428,510 | \$0 | \$3,485,310 | | | |
| Total Revenue | \$0 | \$3,428,510 | \$0 | \$3,485,310 | | | |

Explanation of Revenues

City of Portland General Fund - \$2,686,800 State Homeless Assistance Program (SHAP) - \$290,420 State of Oregon Emergency Housing Assistance (EHA) - \$508,090 Multnomah County Video Lottery Funds - \$78,230

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2019: 10052B-19 Safety off the Streets - Women's Shelter