

Program #30091 - COVID-19 Emergency Response - Safety on the Streets Outreach

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

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Executive Summary

In March of 2020, following public health guidance, the Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS) took immediate steps to limit the spread of COVID-19 within the homeless population and otherwise mitigate impacts of the pandemic on those experiencing homelessness or at risk of experiencing homelessness. These activities, which will continue in FY 2022, include operating physical distancing and medical isolation shelters, safety on the streets outreach, and support for contracted service providers. This program offer funds safety on the street outreach to assist those who are unsheltered to physically distance and reduce transmission of COVID-19.

Program Summary

As part of its response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the JOHS took immediate steps to establish a Coordinated Outreach Team to ensure that unsheltered members of the community had access to knowledge about the spread of COVID-19 and ways to keep themselves safe with access to personal protective equipment and supplies for sanitation, hygiene, and basic needs. The team conducted an eight day outreach effort in early March of 2020 that distributed 5,000 information cards on COVID-19 in English and Spanish and provided supplies necessary for staying in place. Since the beginning of the pandemic, the outreach team has provided daily, ongoing support to those living on the streets, making sure that basic needs are met and that they have the resources they need to stay safe and healthy. This program offer funds the continuation of street outreach through December 31, 2021.

This program offer will ensure the continued staffing of an outreach supply center, the stocking of that supply center with personal protective equipment, sanitizing supplies, basic safety supplies (blankets, tarps, sleeping bags, socks, etc.), and water and food items. The program offer will support both contracted organizations, including those doing focused culturally specific and behavioral health focused outreach, and community partner organizations that conduct outreach to the unsheltered population and lack the resources to offer critical health, safety and nutrition resources.

Performance Measures									
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer				
Output	Estimated number of unique organizations receiving support and supplies	N/A	40	189	190				
Outcome	Units of personal protective equipment/hygiene supplies distributed	N/A	500,000	725,800	362,500				

Performance Measures Descriptions

The COVID-19 pandemic, which began in FY 2020, has significantly impacted the performance measures associated with this program offer.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Contractual Services	\$0	\$1,485,000	\$0	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$1,485,000	\$0	\$500,000
Program Total:	\$1,485,000		\$500,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues								
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,485,000	\$0	\$500,000				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$1,485,000	\$0	\$500,000				

Explanation of Revenues

City of Portland Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) \$250,000 City of Portland Emergency Solutions Grant - Coronavirus (ESG-CV) \$250,000

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2021: 10059B COVID-19 Emergency Response - Safety on the Streets Outreach