

Program #30100A - System Access, Assessment, & Navigation

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Program Offer Type: Support Program Offer Stage: As Proposed

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

This program offer funds system access, assessment, and navigation, which is an array of support services needed to make homeless services easy to access and attuned to the specific needs of sub-populations. Ensuring system coordination and access is one of the core strategies of A Home for Everyone (AHFE). These services include programs that work across populations as well as those for specific sub-populations (adults, families, youth, veterans, and domestic violence survivors). Supports include training, information and referral services, coordinated access, landlord recruitment, and other similar services.

Program Summary

This program offer funds system access, assessment, and navigation, which is an array of support services needed to make critical homeless services equitably accessible to the diverse communities experiencing homelessness in Multnomah County. Ensuring system coordination and access is one of the core strategies of AHFE. Service categories include outreach, coordinated access, mobile navigation services, and partnership development.

This program offer also funds information and referral resources, and navigation outreach workers to assist people experiencing homelessness to navigate to a range of services, including shelter, substance use disorder treatment, primary medical care, and permanent housing, prioritizing culturally specific, culturally responsive, and peer-led engagement with immediate safety and long-term housing resources.

This program offer also funds the Coordinated Access system, which works through outreach, intake workers, and other dedicated partner and County staff to identify, assess, and prioritize households experiencing homelessness and connect them to a range of housing and support services. The goal of Coordinated Access is to provide streamlined and equitable access to homeless services and housing interventions. Regardless of where someone first seeks services, access is based on vulnerability, eligibility, and choice. Consistent with the priorities of AHFE, Multnomah County's Coordinated Access system prioritizes vulnerable populations, participant-centered services, ease of access, racial and ethnic justice, measurable outcomes, shared definitions of success, leveraging existing resources and capacity, diversity in program services and approaches, and long-term housing stability.

Ending homelessness is a community-wide effort that requires partnerships that leverage resources in other systems of care and in the private sector. This program offer funds that partnership development, including recruiting and supporting landlords that can provide units for households exiting homelessness, which is critical to leveraging these system-wide resources.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer			
Output	Shelter and housing service requests received and assisted	135,478	70,000	211,592	70,000			
Outcome	Percentage of Information and Referral calls answered within 5 minutes	46%	75%	30%	75%			
Outcome	Number of unsheltered people served with system navigation	9,915	750	600	750			
Outcome	Overrepresented BIPOC assessed via Coord. Access at rate as high or higher than percent of population*	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes			

Performance Measures Descriptions

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

*This is a new measure tracking whether Communities of Color that are overrepresented in the homeless population are assessed by Coordinated Access at rates as high or higher than their percentage in the population

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Personnel	\$46,721	\$74,628	\$59,827	\$139,037
Contractual Services	\$313,800	\$1,053,750	\$318,820	\$1,112,000
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$5,107	\$4,500	\$2,310
Internal Services	\$0	\$16,640	\$0	\$4,465
Total GF/non-GF	\$360,521	\$1,150,125	\$383,147	\$1,257,812
Program Total:	\$1,510,646		\$1,640,959	
Program FTE	0.60	0.90	0.60	1.40

Program Revenues								
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$2,009,840	\$0	\$1,177,812				
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$80,000				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$2,009,840	\$0	\$1,257,812				

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$4,465 in indirect revenues.

HUD Continuum of Care (CoC) Domestic Violence Coordinated Access Coordinator \$75,675

HUD A Home for Everyone Coordinated Access \$68,900

City of Portland Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) \$1,237

City of Portland General Fund \$1,032,000

Visitor Development Fund \$80,000

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2021: 10051A System Support, Access, & Coordination

The Joint Office of Homeless Services has expanded its program offer structure to reflect ongoing changes and highlight key organizational and programmatic functions. In FY 2021, system access, assessment, and navigation functions were budgeted in program offer 10051A - System Support, Access, & Coordination. For FY 2022, the functions have been separated out into this program offer.