

Program #30700A - Housing Placement & Retention - COVID-19 Recovery-Placements out of Shelter-Metro Measure Investment

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Department:

Joint Office of Homeless Services

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**Program Offer Type:** 

Innovative/New Program

Program Offer Stage: As Adopted

**Related Programs:** 

**Program Characteristics:** 

#### **Executive Summary**

With Metro Supportive Housing Services Measure (Measure) funding that is dedicated to reducing homelessness through strategies that lead with racial equity, this program offer funds rent assistance and housing placement and retention services for people served across six high risk COVID-19 motel shelters.

### **Program Summary**

The Measure passed by voters in May of 2020 generates dedicated funding to significantly reduce homelessness in Multnomah County and the region. The Multnomah County Local Implementation Plan (LIP) for the Measure sets out a range of strategies to reduce homelessness by increasing permanent housing and wrap around services for those experiencing, or at risk of, chronic homelessness and episodic homelessness. The LIP strategies prioritize the A Home for Everyone and Measure commitment to eliminating racial disparities among people experiencing chronic and episodic homelessness. The LIP also recognizes the need for investments in a continuum of pre- and post-housing services.

In response to COVID-19, the Joint Office of Homeless Services (JOHS) opened six motel shelters for people experiencing homelessness at high-risk of a negative outcome from COVID-19. The motels offer safe shelter and services to approximately 300 individuals with a priority for People of Color, people who are 65 and older, and people with multiple disabilities and health conditions. The motels are intended to provide limited-term sheltering options for vulnerable households until the community is able to safely return to regular congregate shelter operations. As these motels close, the JOHS will work with service partners to transition as many households as possible from motels into housing, rather than back into congregate settings.

This program offer funds rent assistance and housing placement and retention services for people served across these high risk COVID-19 motels. This will include a range of housing interventions - from short-term rent assistance and services to permanent supportive housing - based on the needs of the households served. A priority is placed on offering culturally specific and peer-led services to motel-shelter residents, both during the transition and once in housing.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer			
Output	Number of individuals placed into or retained in permanent housing	N/A	N/A	N/A	200			
Outcome	Overrepresented BIPOC placed in housing at a rate as higher or higher than Non-Hispanic whites*	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes			
Outcome	Percentage of households retaining housing after 12 months	N/A	N/A	N/A	80%			

### **Performance Measures Descriptions**

\*This equity measure is intended to align investments with the Metro Measure priority to reduce racial disparities within the chronic and episodically homeless populations.

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000
Program Total:	\$0		\$3,000,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues								
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000				

# **Explanation of Revenues**

Metro Supportive Housing Services \$3,000,000

### Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: