JOHS Supportive Housing

Program Description & Goals

Supportive housing is recognized as the most successful intervention for people with significant disabilities who are homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness. Supportive housing is most commonly permanent housing. In certain circumstances, including for people in recovery, transitional supportive housing (limited duration housing with intensive attached services) has proven an effective strategy to help people stabilize and return to unsupported permanent housing. The significant majority of supportive housing in our community is permanent supportive housing; it offers those who are chronically homeless a combination of permanently affordable rent and longer-term wrap around support services needed to end their homelessness. This program offer funds a combination of long- term support services and operating expenses connected to supportive housing.

Performance	Actuals FY 2019-20	Actuals FY 2020-21	Target 2021-22	Target FY 2022-23	Strategic Target
Percentage of households moved from homelessness into housing that subsequently return to homelessness	23%	23%	25%	25%	25%
Retention rate of households placed in permanent housing at 12 months	61%	73%	75%	75%	75%
Total number of homeless individuals enrolled in housing program	5,090	4,010	5,950	4,920	4,920

Explanation of Services

On any given night, there are more than 1,700 individuals who have been homeless for more than a year and are living with one or more severe disabilities. These individuals are considered chronically homeless.

Offering a combination of permanently affordable housing and appropriate ongoing support services has proven locally and nationally to be the most cost-effective response for those who are chronically homelessness. This program provides continued support for two types of programs - transitional recovery housing and permanent supportive housing.

Permanent supportive housing serves those with long-term disabilities, including mental illness and addictions, who usually have long-term or cyclical homelessness in their background. Transitional recovery housing serves those who require time-limited intensive recovery and other support services, but who can graduate from intensive support services into unsupported permanent housing. Transitional housing provides no-cost or extremely low-cost housing for up to two years along with intensive recovery support services tailored to the needs of the target population.

This program provides a range of supportive housing for highly vulnerable adults. In some cases, funding is used to provide only the support services because rent assistance is provided through, for example, a grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). In other cases, funds support primarily the long-term rental subsidy needs of participants, and support services are leveraged through other systems, such as the health care system. Finally, there are programs where local funds provide both the rental assistance and the bulk of the support services because of the unique needs of the subpopulation served by the program or the absence of other sources of support.

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Equity Impacts

Achieving equity in the delivery of homeless services requires that all communities have equitable access through multiple pathways into services, and that services are culturally-specific and culturally-responsive. All JOHS investments are evaluated using an equity lens.

Of the people newly enrolled in Permanent Supportive Housing in FY 2020-21, 51 % were people from communities of color; 28% identified as Black or African American; 15 % identified as American Indian or Alaska Native; 11 % identified as Hispanic or Latino/a; 3% identified as Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander; and 2% identified as Asian.

Changes to Program

In late 2017, Portland City Council and the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners adopted parallel resolutions directing the development of a plan to guide the production of at least 2,000 new units of supportive housing in Multnomah County by 2028. The plan was completed in September 2018, and in the time since the resolutions were adopted, the City, County, and Home Forward have almost 1,571 new units of supportive housing that have already been developed or are in the pipeline. Many of these units have been created through coordinated capital investments from the Portland Housing Bond and dedicated supportive service funding through the Joint Office of Homeless Services. The creation of supportive housing units depend s on identification of additional supportive housing capital, operating, and services funding. Passagr of the Metro Regional Affordable Housing Bond, completion of a related regional supportive housing plan, and advancement of developing partnerships with the health and criminal justice sectors will aid in these efforts.

At its core, the Supportive Housing Services Measure (SHSM) is intended to end chronic homelessness for thousands of people who would otherwise be experiencing homelessness. In FY 2021-22 the JOHS made significant investments in expanding Supportive Housing and will continue to increase these investments over time as tax collections increase and as additional Supportive Housing units are made available through the Portland and Metro housing bonds and in scattered sites.

T his program includes contracted services funding for the Service Coordination Team (SCT), a program operated by the City of Portland Police Bureau's (PPB) Behavioral Health Team, which was moved to the JOHS budget from the PPB budget as part of the September 2020 Budget Monitoring Process.

Program Budget

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Fund Expenditures					
Fund Transfers - Expense	0	323,000	0	0	0
Fund Expenditures Total	0	323,000	0	0	0
Requirements Total	9,626,084	10,696,001	13,897,602	10,805,471	11,252,931

Budget Narrative

Resources The City's contribution to the JOHS budget includes General Fund resources and

a federal grant - Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA).

Expenses City funds are pass through payments to JOHS and are used to support staffing

and contracted services. The total JOHS budget is represented in the Multnomah County budget where the office is hosted. For more information, please see the

Multnomah County JOHS budget.

Staffing Not applicable. See Multnomah County's Budget for staffing and FTE details.

Assets and Liabilities The City has no assets or liabilities associated with this program.

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