

Department: Joint Office of Homeless Services **Program Contact:** Marc Jolin
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 significantly reducing homelessness through strategies that lead with racial equity, this program offer funds an expansion of critical shelter options, in particular alternative shelter that reaches people at the neighborhood level who are unsheltered and seek an immediate safety off the streets option. This program offer funds both the capital and operational needs of community-led sheltering options that prioritize the needs of Communities of Color, people with behavioral health needs, and underserved geographic areas of the County.

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.

This program offer funds a critical current need identified in the LIP for an expanded range of shelter options for those who are unsheltered, and who may become unsheltered as a result of COVID 19. Alternative Shelter options will be community-led, neighborhood-level shelter programs that build on the capacity of the community to develop and implement shelter. Alternative shelters that are culturally specific/meet the needs of overrepresented Communities of Color, serve people with behavioral health needs, and/or are located in underserved geographic areas of the County will be prioritized.

Funds allocated through this offer will support both the capital and operational needs of viable alternative shelter proposals that are submitted through a competitive procurement process. The total number of sites and bed capacity created will depend upon the proposals received and approved through the selection process. As many as 200 alternative shelter beds could be added to the system, depending on the program models proposed. Alternative shelters may take the form of safe parking programs, villages, or neighborhood-level congregate sites, all of which will offer short-term living options for people who are pursuing long-term housing. And while these will be alternative shelter beds, they will be part of the A Home for Everyone/Joint Office of Homeless Services commitment to ensuring that all publicly funded shelters in the system are resourced to help transition people as rapidly as possible from shelter into appropriate permanent housing options.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer
Output	Complete a competitive solicitation to the community for the creation of alternative shelter options	N/A	N/A	N/A	1
Outcome	Expand the number of people served each night by alternative shelter programs	N/A	N/A	N/A	200

Performance Measures Descriptions

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: