



Department of County Human Services FY 2022 Proposed Budget

ADVSD Follow-Up
FY22 Budget Questions

Presented to the Board of
County Commissioners

Multnomah County
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ADVSD FY22 Budget Follow-Up Questions

1a. Can you provide additional information about the connection between program offer #25025 - ADVSD Veterans Services and #25035 ADVSD Case Management & In-Home Services (non-Medicaid), which includes an additional \$3.7M for Veterans Directed Care services from the VA medical?

- PO 25025: ADVSD Veterans Services: The goals of the Veterans Service Officers (VSOs) are to provide information, assistance, and advocacy to all who served in the military to improve their access to a pension, disability, and health benefits. The VSO leverages strong community partnerships, resulting in increased community referrals for underrepresented Veterans.
- PO 25035: ADVSD Case Management & In Home Services (non-Medicaid): Veterans Directed Care (not veterans services) is a “cash and counseling” case management program for Veterans who are living at home but are nursing home eligible. This program is done in partnership with the three VA Medical Centers in Oregon. Multnomah Co ADVSD is the lead or “hub” for this program and we partner with Area Agencies on Aging (AAA’s) throughout Oregon.



Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs

Program Offer 25025

Budget: \$1M / year

CM Assistant

Program Supervisor

CM Assistant

Veteran
Service Officer

Veteran
Service Officer

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State and County General Funds

No pass through direct client assistance

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Federal
Funds Only

Veterans Directed Care
Budget: \$8.1M / year

PO 25035

Admin Support (Multco)

\$187 per veteran
per month rate

**Fiduciary Services
(Multco / Premier)**

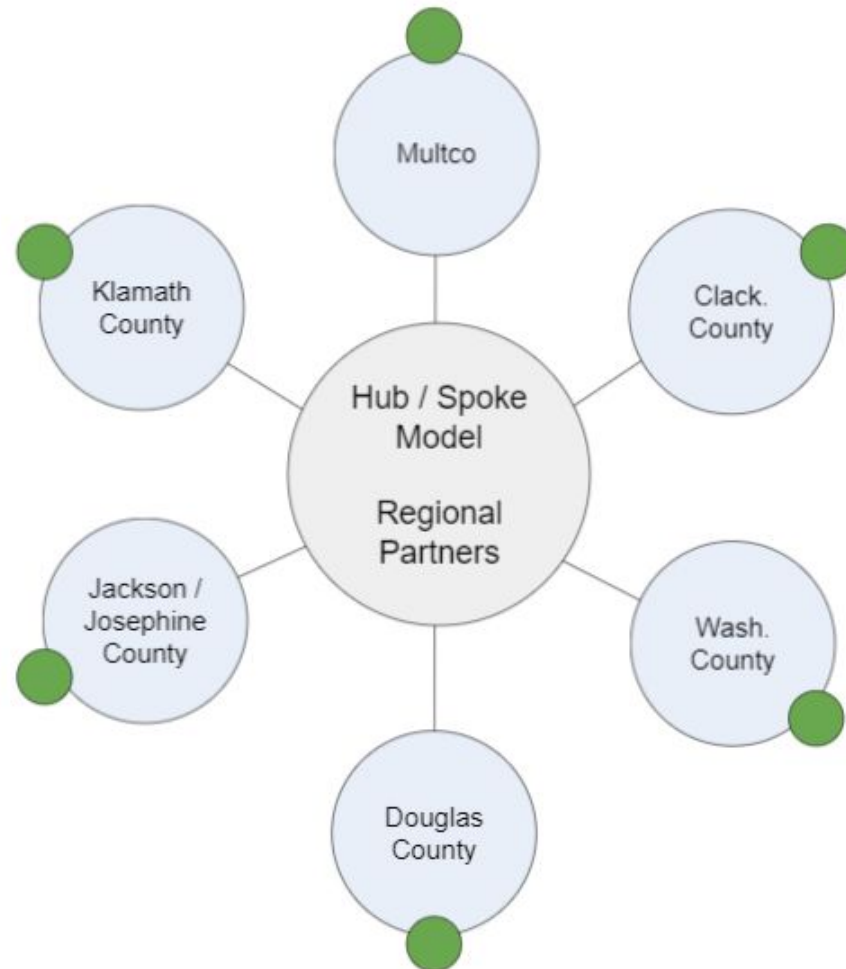
\$105 per veteran
per month rate

Case Management Support

\$435 per veteran
per month rate

Direct Client Assistance

Benefit amount ranges from
\$1,120 / mo to \$4,848 / mo



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1b. Could that funding (\$3.7M) cover any of the GF costs in #25025? How is the additional \$3.7M being programmed?

- No, the funding in the Veterans Directed Care (\$3.7) is specifically to be used for home and community-based services for veterans (on the Health Care side of the VA). The primary use of the budget is to pay for care workers, goods and services.
- The ODVA is on the entitlement benefits side of the VA. Veterans Services Officers assist veterans with applying for benefits.



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2a. Program #25036 - ADVSD Safety Net Program - how does the population served through this program intersect/overlap with other similar programs?

- ADVSD partners with YFS Housing Stability Team (HST), so that older adults and adults with disabilities have access to Housing Stability Funds (HSF). These funds stay in the YFS budget, our Safety Net team are authorized to spend HSF money, using the YFS grant tag and tracking mechanisms (Service Point)



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2b. Does this program directly connect with other departments (e.g. JOHS, MCHD) to coordinate services for participants?

- Yes. The people we serve through HSF and Safety Net may also access services and supports through JOHS contract agencies for housing case management and they may also be consumers in the Behavioral Health system



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3a. Program #25026 - ADVSD Public Guardian/Conservator - are there other funding sources for this program?

- No, this program is funded 100% with County General Funds. The program has been operating for 50 years (program established in 1971).

3b. Is this an unfunded requirement from the state, or something we do in addition to/adjacent to state public guardian/conservator functions? (the latter may be more a policy question than a budget one-- the primary budget question is the former, relating to alternative funding sources for this work)

- Mult Co PGC (MCPGC) was way out in front of the state on meeting the needs of incapacitated adults in need of protection under guardianships/conservatorship State program (OPGC) established in 2016 and has not been open to accepting new cases since July 2019 due to funding constraints
- The county PGC program is mandated by statute and the local circuit court to continue providing fiduciary services to protected persons for whom the program is currently appointed as guardian



Questions

