

## SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SERVICES COUNTY FY24 QUARTER THREE REPORTS

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**Length:** 30 minutes

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### ISSUE STATEMENT

Housing department staff will present on the Supportive Housing Services (SHS) FY24 third quarterly reports from Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington County covering the period from January 1, 2024, through March 31, 2024.

During the third year of implementation, the SHS program has continued to build capacity to regionalize housing services, and counties are making substantial progress toward their annual work plan goals. SHS funding has already positively impacted thousands of people. We are creating a regional system that is sustaining continued growth delivering critical services and scaling new investments to further advance the impact of these dollars to address homelessness. With the work that has happened through year three, Metro's Housing department will focus on systems improvement and evaluation work to ensure that funds are implemented in a meaningful way to maximize the impact in the community.

Time for Council questions and discussion will follow the presentation; however, County staff will not be in attendance or available for questions during the presentation.

### ACTION REQUESTED

No Council action is requested at this time.

### IDENTIFIED POLICY OUTCOMES

Metro Council is strongly aware of latest implementation progress for the SHS program.

### POLICY QUESTION(S)

No policy questions for Council to consider. This presentation is informational.

## **POLICY OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL TO CONSIDER**

No policy options for Council to consider; this presentation is informational.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS**

No staff recommendations at this time.

## **STRATEGIC CONTEXT & FRAMING COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

Metro's primary role in Supportive Housing Services implementation (SHS) is to provide accountability and oversight of tax revenue and progress towards commitments made to the voters and to convene and coordinate long-term regional solutions.

Quarterly reports are submitted to Metro 45 days after the end of each quarter. Metro staff and the SHS Regional Oversight Committee analyze reports to ensure compliance to the Metro SHS Work Plan and intergovernmental agreements, and each county's Annual Work Plans. This analysis also provides critical feedback to the counties on progress and challenges for the year while there is time to make adjustments to SHS implementation before the end of the fiscal year.

Since SHS programming started in July 2021 through the recent quarter's end on December 31, 2023, funded programs have:

- Housed over 7,841 people in permanent supportive housing and rapid rehousing programs
- Prevented 21,841 people from eviction or falling into homelessness
- Expanded and/or sustained shelter capacity by about 1,352 beds

Metro will present FY24 quarter three reports to the SHS Regional Oversight Committee on Monday, June 24, 2024. The presentation will capture progress toward the counties' FY24 annual work plan goals and budgets.

## **BACKGROUND**

Approval of Measure 26-210 created a new tax that funds a regional system of care governed by four jurisdictions: Metro, and Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties. The tax took effect in January 2021 and will expire in 2031 unless reauthorized by voters.

In December 2020, the Metro Council adopted a SHS Work Plan to guide implementation. The Work Plan defines the fund's guiding principles, racial equity goals, priority populations, service areas, accountability structures and funding allocations.

Within the framework of the regional Work Plan, each county's specific SHS investments and activities are guided by local implementation plans informed by community engagement and approved by Metro Council in spring 2021.

SHS implementation is guided by the following regionally established principles:

- Strive toward stable housing for all
- Lead with racial equity and work toward racial justice
- Fund proven solutions
- Leverage existing capacity and resources
- Innovate: evolve systems to improve
- Demonstrate outcomes and impact with stable housing solutions
- Ensure transparent oversight and accountability
- Center people with lived experience, meet them where they are, and support their self-determination and well-being
- Embrace regionalism: with shared learning and collaboration to support systems coordination and integration
- Lift up local experience: lead with the expertise of local agencies and community organizations addressing homelessness and housing insecurity

Since the measure's passage, Metro Council has taken the following actions to direct implementation of the program:

- Creation and appointment of the **SHS Regional Oversight Committee**, to provide program oversight on behalf of the Metro Council;
- Approval of the **SHS Work Plan**, which provides an operational framework for the program;
- Approval of **local implementation plans** for all three of Metro's local implementation partners, as part of **intergovernmental agreements** which lay out the terms and conditions upon which Metro will disburse tax funds to local implementation partners; and
- Creation and appointment of the **Tri-County Planning Body** to strengthen coordination and alignment of program implementation across the Metro region.  
Review and approve recommendations presented by the **SHS Regional Oversight Committee** in the FY21-22 and FY22-23 annual regional reports.

## ATTACHMENTS

- 1) Clackamas County FY24 Q3 SHS report
- 2) Multnomah County FY24 Q3 SHS report
- 3) Washington County FY24 Q3 SHS report

[For work session:]

- Is legislation required for Council action? **No**
- If yes, is draft legislation attached? **No**
- What other materials are you presenting today? **None**

