# Multnomah County Homeless Youth Continuum (HYC) Overview

#### **Coordinated System**

- Street outreach and referrals from youth, child welfare, juvenile justice, education, and community
- No wrong door: mobile access and stationary access for youth throughout the community
- 24-hour access to safety off the streets
- Single screening to determine eligibility and vulnerability
- Single HMIS record created at screening
- System-wide practice across agencies
- Referral to appropriate services with warm hand-off

Engagement &	Services		
Access	Recovery Oriented Support	Wrap Around Support	Shelter & Housing
Low barrier access to basic needs resources and gateway to support services.	Youth engagement in recovery, connection to treatment, and aftercare support	Access and referral to treatment, education, employment, health care, and other aligned service systems	Safe, stable placements in a variety of settings with diverse service options.
Crisis response	Recovery oriented supports	Mental Health and	<ul> <li>Emergency and</li> </ul>
Food & Hygiene	integrated throughout the Continuum	Addictions	Short-term Shelter
<ul><li>Engagement opportunities</li><li>Culturally responsive</li></ul>	A/D & Mental Health	<ul> <li>Alternative Schools &amp; college supports</li> </ul>	■ Facility-based
Assessment (race/ethnicity,	Specialists and Peer Mentors		congregate care
LGBTQ, gender)	that provide recovery	Microenterprise, social	transitional
, ,	engagement, treatment	venture partnerships	housing
	connection and aftercare	<ul> <li>LGBTQ supports</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Oxford-type and</li> </ul>
	supports	Pregnant and Parenting	other forms of
	Pro-social recreation and	Supports  Access to Health Care and	shared housing Scattered-site
	group recovery supports	Benefits	community
		Flexible service funds to	apartments
$\uparrow$	<b>↑</b>	meet individual needs	1
Assertive Engagement			
Positive Youth Development practice focusing on building youth resiliency through: caring relationships, meaningful opportunities to participate, and high expectations, & other culturally specific and responsive practice.			

## HOUSING & SHELTER VALUES

Every youth is capable of learning to set their own goals and determining which services meet their needs

All youth have the right to be housed

Housing first is our goal, through a range of developmentally-appropriate housing options and supports

Funding follows the youth to promote individual choice and action

Housing options are culturally responsive, culturally competent, and affirmatively further opportunity for people who have traditionally been underserved

Youth need to have room to take risks and fail as part of their development

The Continuum operates as an integrated network sharing investment, risk, outcomes, opportunity, and accountability



## CONTINUUM OF HOUSING OPTIONS

#### **Short-Term**

- Emergency Shelter
- Short-Term Shelter
- Medical Housing





### Transitional Housing/Rapid Re-Housing

- Site-based options; multiple locations
- Scattered site options; different funders & eligibility criteria

### **Permanent Supportive Housing**

- Site-based options; 2 locations
- Scattered site options; 3 different HUD projects

