

# Basic Living Needs – Team

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# Basic Living Needs Outcome Team

**All Multnomah County  
Residents and their Families  
are able to meet  
their Basic Living Needs**



# Basic Living Needs - Terminology

- **“Vulnerable Populations”** are defined as people needing ongoing care, such as:
  - people with physical and mental disabilities
  - people with chemical dependencies
  - the frail elderly
  - the seriously and persistently mentally ill
  - children with special needs
  - others experiencing a major life crisis
  
- **“Health”** is defined very broadly to include all aspects of physical and mental, dental, and addictions treatment.



# Basic Living Needs - Indicators

- Percentage of people in Multnomah County with incomes above **185% of the Federal Poverty Level**.

*67.3% in 2005; down from 71.5% in 2000*

- Percentage of renters who pay no more than **30% of income for housing and utilities**

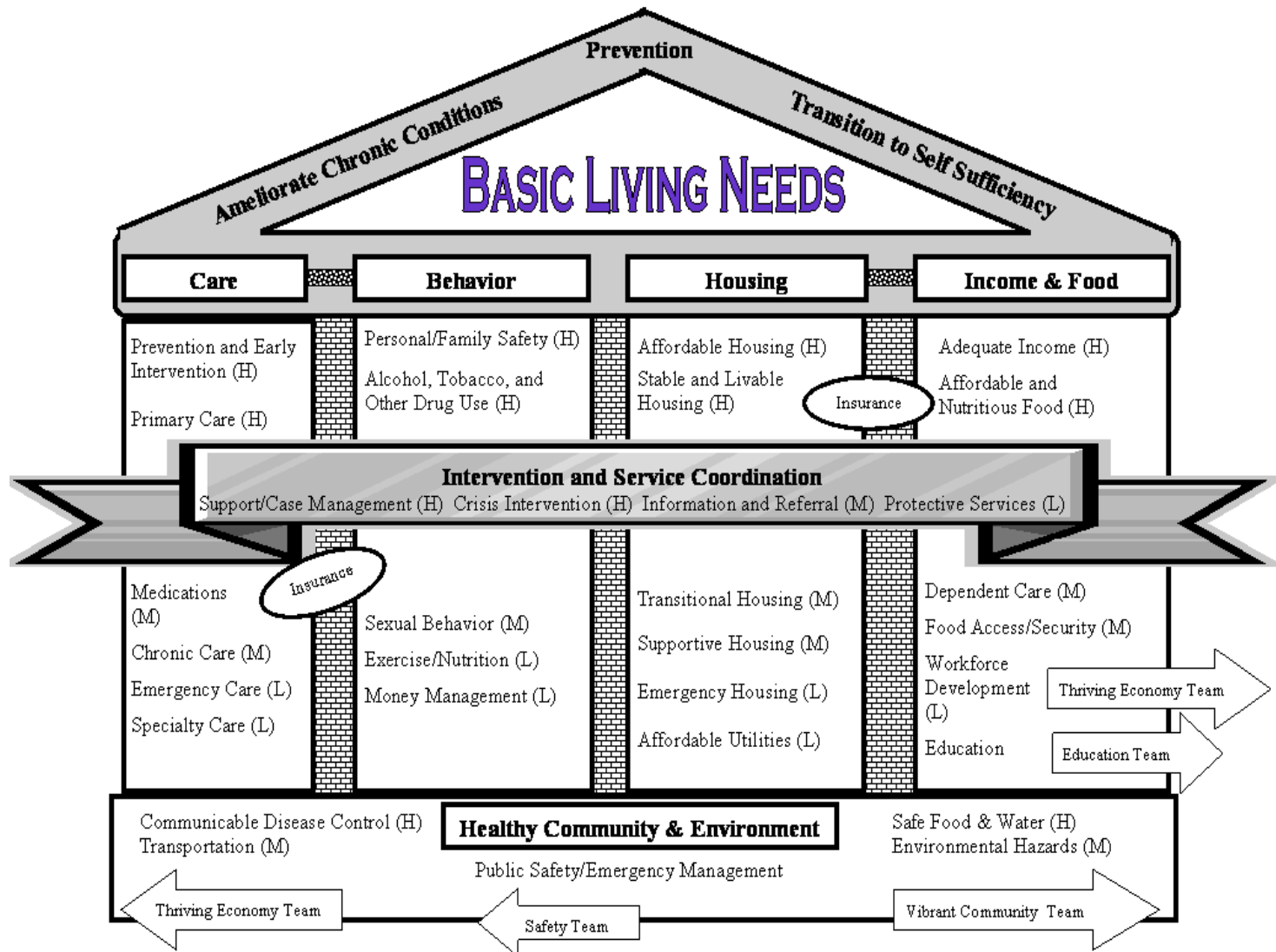
*45.3% in 2005; down from 53.8% in 2000*

- Percentage of individuals **rating their health as Excellent or Very Good** in Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

*84.7% in 2005; relatively constant over last 7 years*



# Basic Living Needs - Map



# Basic Living Needs

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- The map identifies **primary and secondary factors** that lead to the desired outcome of meeting basic living needs from a citizen's perspective
- Our Team built on the excellent work of last year's Team that identified six selection strategies; we have added **six more specific RFO priorities** to the broader selection strategies
- The **requests for offers** focus on secondary factors where Multnomah County has the **greatest ability to leverage strategic results** as well as on areas that are **in need of greater emphasis**.



# **Selection Strategies**

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- 1. Provide intervention & coordination of services that meet basic needs**
- 2. Maintain a Healthy Community and Environment**
- 3. Ensure care for vulnerable members of the community**
- 4. Promote healthy behaviors**
- 5. Assist in obtaining permanent and livable housing**
- 6. Provide access to income and food to every member of our community**



# Min. Standards for all Program Offers

- **Reflect the principles of “The Policy Framework for Cultural Competency”**
- **Reflect consistent and meaningful application of Evidence Based Practices**
- **Re-examine staffing needs and resources to maximize program effectiveness and client outcomes**
- **Demonstrate measurable results**



# Basic Living Needs – Strategy 1

**We are looking for offers that promote innovation.**

Priority will be given to offers that:

- Provide a ***clear framework or plan*** for the delivery of future services particularly in areas which span multiple depts. & jurisdictions (e.g., A&D and Mental Health)
- Focus on the total ***needs of the individual*** rather than on how to deliver an array of separate services
- Will deliver ***plans and strategies for more effective programs which could be implemented quickly***
- Propose ***“pilot” programs*** which, if successful, will result in better outcomes for clients



# Basic Living Needs – Strategy 2

**We are seeking offers that create or enhance the infrastructure that supports the provision of basic living needs services.**

We are looking for program offers that:

- Find ways to ***share existing data*** to make maximum use of what we already have
- ***Invest in the knowledge, skills and abilities of personnel*** in the areas of data analysis, reporting, Quality Assurance, and Quality Improvement
- Implement standardized, user-friendly information systems that can be used to ***seamlessly share client information between programs***



# Basic Living Needs – Strategy 3

**We are looking for offers that promote healthy behaviors.**

We are looking for program offers that:

- ▣ Empower individuals, families, and communities to ***take greater control over their well-being***
- ▣ Employ ***prevention strategies and behavior change models aimed across communities*** in addition to those implemented with individuals or groups
- ▣ Promote approaches or partnerships that support ***broad-based health promotion and wellness practices***
- ▣ ***Prevent illicit Drug and Tobacco use among adolescents***



# Basic Living Needs – Strategy 4

**We are seeking program offers that ensure care and access to basic living needs services.**

We are looking for program offers that:

- ***Prevent people from entering into more costly care*** including increased access to medications and early diagnosis and intervention
- ***Address gaps in services to clients who have lost health care coverage***
- ***Encourage and advocate the availability of insurance*** to a broader range of individuals
- ***Educate individuals about the availability and use of existing resources*** such as Earned Income Credits and Medicare, Part D



# Basic Living Needs – Strategy 5

**We are seeking program offers that reduce the percentage of adults who use illicit drugs and abuse alcohol.**

We are looking for program offers that:

- ***Reduce the waitlist for A&D Residential Treatment*** by providing more cost efficient services or alternative treatments
- ***Prioritize the treatment of populations to provide the greatest benefit***
- ***Provide better coordination and resource management for all types of A&D treatment***
- ***Incorporate dual diagnosis treatment*** to better serve clients with mental health and substance abuse issues



# Basic Living Needs – Strategy 6

**We are seeking offers that assist people in obtaining permanent, affordable and livable housing.**

We are looking for program offers that:

- ▣ ***Move people from transitional to permanent and affordable housing***
- ▣ ***Increase the availability of permanent, supported housing*** for homeless individuals
- ▣ ***Make it easier to get into housing***
- ▣ ***Improve outreach to homeless people***
- ▣ ***Increase economic opportunities & self-sufficiency for homeless people*** by collaborating with others

