



PROGRAM MANAGEMENT REPORT

Let Class begin!!

FSS was so pleased this year to collaborate with The Boys and Girls Club, and Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church again this year to help families get ready for this school year with the annual backpack drive. As you know, many families have a hard time meeting all the needs as kids head back to school. We feel so lucky to be a part of helping these families get what they need.

There were 110 total backpacks received from the community.

Boys and girls club – 100 backpacks (50 elementary boys / girls and 50 middle/high school)

Christ the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church – 10 backpacks

We here at Salem Housing were able to deliver all 110 backpacks to Children and Families in the Family Self Sufficiency program. The collaboration in our community is amazing and we love that we get to be a part of it. A HUGE thank you to the Boys and Girls club that do so much for our community!



General Housing Programs and Client Profile

Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers

SHA administers the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program providing subsidies to eligible participants to rent from private landlords. The Housing Choice Voucher Program currently serves 2,589 households. Vouchers can be used at several SHA sites as well as privately owned properties.

Voucher lease-up figures now include funding for up to 98 new Mainstream (Non-Elderly Disabled) Vouchers (75 original awards + 23 awarded under HUD COVID-19 action); final leased numbers will depend upon per-unit-cost expended. These Vouchers are tracked separately from previous Mainstream awards, which are currently fully utilized. HUD considers funding to be fully utilized when 100% of the maximum number of Vouchers are leased, or at least 95% of funds are expended. Efforts are currently underway to identify eligible applicants from the existing Section 8 waiting list for these Vouchers, which are targeted at homeless and at-risk households.

Veterans Assistance Supportive Housing Programs (VASH)

SHA administers two VASH programs with 88 total vouchers in partnership with the Veterans Administration. The Veterans Administration screens and refers eligible veterans to SHA. The VASH tenant-based program provides vouchers to at risk homeless veterans. VASH vouchers can be used at several SHA owned properties as well as privately owned properties. Currently, we have 73 housed.

Family Unification Vouchers

SHA entered into an agreement with the Department of Human Services after receiving 119 Family Unification Vouchers from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. This program serves three types of families experiencing barriers to finding stable housing: 1) parents reuniting with children returning from foster care; 2) parents that need to provide a stable living environment to avoid having their children removed from their home; and 3) youth 18 to 21 years of age who have recently left the foster system and need to return to their parent's home. Currently 100 households are served with Family Unification Vouchers.

Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy (SRO)

Private property owners offer 26 rehabilitated rental units in the Salem-Keizer area through HUD's Moderate Rehabilitation SRO Program. SHA refers eligible housing applicants to these properties when there are vacancies.

Homeless Rental Assistance Program

The Homeless Rental Assistance Program (HRAP) is the City of Salem's Housing First initiative to permanently house the "top 100 hardest to house" chronically homeless individuals in Salem. Launched in July 2017, SHA is the lead agency in this collaborative initiative and partners with various social service agencies. SHA provides intensive case management, resource and referrals, housing placements, landlord engagement and administers all rental assistance and barrier removal funds for the program.

HRAP Statistics

88.89%	Enrolled	Served
Currently Housed	27	33
Section 8	108	136
PSH achieved	21	27
Evicted after Voucher/ or terminated Voucher:	9	7
Subsidized Housing	9	9
Housed Death	13	13
Death before placement **	12	12
Pending Placement	1	3
Evictions from the start of program 2017	37	37
Voluntary Withdrawn	18	19
Current unhoused enrolled	28	34
Enrolled files returned	50	59
<u>Total</u>	333	389

Waitlists Opening

Salem Housing Authority had two waitlists open on September 17, 2022

Englewood East (large building) 1-bedroom apartment for seniors will be open until the applicant list reaches a 2 year wait from the date of application. These units offer income-based rent through the HUD Section 202 program. Residents pay approximately 30% of their monthly income for rent and utilities at these properties. Assistance is tied to the units and is not transferrable. These units are restricted to households with income at or below HUD's Very Low-Income Limit (50% Area Median Income), which is currently \$27,700 annually for 1 person. Residents pay approximately 30% of their monthly income for rent and utilities at these properties. Assistance is tied to the units and is not transferrable. These units are restricted to households with income at or below HUD's Very Low-Income Limit (50% Area Median Income), which is currently \$27,700 annually for 1 person.

SHA Is now accepting application for Yaquina Hall Apartments, 1-bedroom units until October 15, 2022. These units offer income-based rent through the Section 8 Project-Based Voucher program. Residents pay approximately 30% of their monthly income for rent and utilities at these properties. Assistance is tied to the units and is not transferrable. These units are restricted to households with income at or below HUD's Very Low-Income Limit (50% Area Median Income), which is currently \$27,700 annually for 1 person. Residents are eligible to receive supportive services, but engagement in services is not required as a condition of occupancy.

