

**Remote HHS and Public Safety
Meeting Agenda
July 14, 2026 at 5:30 PM
Remote Meeting**



MEMBERS

Councilor Anna Bullett, District 4, Chair
Councilor April Fournier, At-Large
Councilor Sarah Michniewicz, District 1
Councilor Wesley Pelletier, District 2

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1. Announcements
2. Review and Approval of Minutes from June 9, 2026
 - a. Draft minutes
3. City of Portland Opioid Settlement Funds Approved Uses (Anna Bullett, Chair)
Committee will consider a recommendation to Council regarding allocation City of Portland Opioid Settlement Funds for the purpose of Winter Warming Emergency Shelter. Public Comment will be taken.
 - a. Staff Memo
4. Charitable Food Distribution Discussion (Councilor Sarah Michniewicz, District 1)
Review of current food distribution landscape in Portland and potentially discuss policy tools to address community impact. No public comment will be taken.
 - a. Staff Memo
5. CDBG Performance Metrics (Councilor Michniewicz)
Determine committee interest in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) performance metrics used in the recent program year. No Committee action is scheduled, therefore no public comment will be taken.
 - a. Staff Memo
6. Next Meeting: September 8, 2026

Health & Human Services and Public Safety Committee

June 9 2026, 5:30 PM Remote Meeting

Committee Attendance:

Anna Bullett, Chair (District 4), Sarah Michniewicz (District 1), (Wesley Pelletier (District 2).
April Fournier (At-Large)

City Staff:

Adam Harr, Executive Assistant; Maggie McLoughlin, Director of HHS; Dena Libner, Assistant City Manager; Chad Johnston, Fire Chief; Bridget Rauscher, Public Health Director; Ben Noyes, Police Sergeant; Mary Christi, Associate Corporation Council.

1. Announcements

- City council workshop in August related to the family shelter relocation.

2. Review and Approval of Minutes from May 12, 2026

- Councilor Pelletier moved and second by Councilor Michniewicz and approved unanimously 4-0.
- **Overdose Prevention Site Legal Landscape**

Mary Christi, Associate Corporation Council reviewed the memo in the packet.

Chair Bullett asked if there are provisions in the controlled substance act that provides immunity for officer carrying out local laws. She wants to speak with the State delegation and see the results of the November election for next steps.

4. Syringe Redemption Program

Public Health Director Bridget Rauscher went over her memo in the packet.

Councilor Michniewicz made it clear that the ambassadors who had been picking up syringes from 2024 to 2025 are not the same as the downtown ambassadors. She asked if we are in contact with WHO and if we have a sense of the syringes being picked up on private property. Director Rauscher said we are in contact but do not have a sense of the syringes picked up from private property. Councilor Michniewicz asked about the outlier and high traffic areas; is there a way to understand where syringes are being improperly discarded? Director Rauscher will return with analysis, but likely was at the district level. The councilor noted this district level may not be descriptive given how compacted the issue is and asked if PH has considered a survey or community meeting. What data exists on this being a gateway to healthcare? People who engage the program feel safe coming into the space and people become interested in other ways they can engage; more people ask about our services and wounds etc. get noticed; this is also direct feedback from the focus group.

Councilor Pelletier asked about the requirement to be an exchange program participant. Director Rauscher felt it was important for the opioid settlement funds going directly to those victimized by the opioid epidemic; exchange clients are also well versed in safely handling needles to avoid accidental

needle sticks. On stigmatization, does that feel like a good faith criticism? Director Rauscher was not in the focus groups but she is already working with a population that is already stigmatized and probably feels additional eyes because of the redemption program and that this is in good faith if not potentially internalized stigma.

Chair Bullett thanked Director Rauscher for her comprehensive report and celebrated that this is a cutting edge program, keeping people alive; she is happy to know wound care kits are being offered. She is nervous that there are not enough supplies and would like to help people get food. Let's stay the course and let us know what you need.

5. Public Safety Traffic Update

Sergeant Noyes presented his slide deck.

Councilor Michniewicz asked if there has been an effect on other details with the increase in traffic; they are voluntary and have to be overtime. Are they finding other citable offenses during stops? Mostly looking for distracted driving and failing to stop at stop signs. How do officers feel about the stops? They are enthusiastic.

Councilor Pelletier said traffic citations have been an ask from people concerned about dangerous speed and asked how speeding data can be considered by DPW and urban design.

Chair Bullett said DPW are design streets for safety but don't always ask officers and EMT for their input. Officers are concerned that we are designing for pedestrians and vulnerable people but some motorists are becoming aggressive and we are seeing an uptick in that behavior.

6. Next Meeting July 14, 2026

Councilor Michniewicz moved to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Pelletier, voted 3-0 to with Fournier absent. Adjourned at approximately 6:41 PM.



To: Health and Human Services Committee
Councilor Bullett, Chair

From: Dena Libner, Assistant City Manager

Date: July 10, 2026

Re: Policy Options for Authorizing Opioid Settlement Funds for
Winter Warming Shelter Operations

MEETING DATE
July 14, 2026

AGENDA ITEM
#1 - Opioid Settlement Funds

PURPOSE

The purpose of this memorandum is to describe the substance of Chair Bullett's proposed policy so that the Committee can provide guidance. Based on that discussion, the Committee may request that a draft ordinance be presented at a future Committee meeting, or that the substance of what is agreed to at the July 14 Committee meeting is presented as an ordinance to the Council for consideration, without prior Committee review.

COMMITTEE WORK PLAN/CITY COUNCIL GOAL ALIGNMENT

This discussion supports the Council's common goal of "Reduce Chronic Homelessness."

BACKGROUND

The City continues to receive annual payments through the national opioid settlement, which will continue until 2039. These revenues are restricted to uses that are consistent with the settlement agreement and related guidance.

The Committee has expressed interest in a seasonal warming shelter operating 24/7 during the winter months. Since the application cycle for warming shelter grant funding provided by Maine State Housing Authority (MSHA) occurs too late for the City or a nonprofit partner to confidently hire additional staff for this work, the Committee plans to consider a proposal by Chair Bullett to allow opioid settlement funds to be used for this purpose, consistent with approved uses to support people in treatment and recovery under the settlement agreements.

If the Committee supports this use, based on guidance provided by Chair Bullett, staff propose that a dedicated Opioid Settlement Fund be established by ordinance. The ordinance would provide that national settlement revenues are deposited into the fund and would establish the eligible uses of those revenues, including winter warming shelter operations.

The advantages of this approach include that it:

- Creates a more permanent policy framework for managing settlement revenues.
- Provides greater predictability for future budgeting and multi-year planning.
- Clearly defines eligible uses in City Code.
- Minimizes the need for recurring policy deliberation regarding settlement revenues.
- Formalizes reporting requirements to support regular Committee review.

The structure of the ordinance could be similar to other Council-established funds, such as the Climate Action Fund and Jill C. Duson Housing Trust Fund.

As an alternative to this structure, the Council could continue to appropriate settlement funds through periodic amendments to the existing Council order (Attachment A). Under this structure, the Committee would periodically recommend that the order be updated to reflect additional revenue, and possibly make changes to the eligible uses.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no anticipated fiscal impact associated with this item.

CONCLUSION(S)

Both approaches would allow the Council to authorize the use of opioid settlement funds for winter warming shelter operations, provided the expenditures remain consistent with applicable settlement requirements. The primary distinction is the governance framework through which future settlement revenues would be managed.

If the Committee supports including winter warming shelter as an eligible use, staff request Committee guidance on its preferred policy framework:

- **Establish a standing framework** through City Code that automatically directs future opioid settlement revenues into a dedicated fund with Council-defined eligible uses; or
- **Continue managing settlement revenues incrementally** by periodically amending a Council order as new revenues are received, allowing the Council to reconsider eligible uses each time additional funds are accepted and appropriated.

PRIOR COMMITTEE REVIEW

Health and Human Services & Public Safety Committee – July 8, 2025; October 14, 2025; and November 13, 2025

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A – Order 96-24/25



To: Health and Human Services & Public Safety Committee
Councilor Anna Bullett, Chair

MEETING DATE

July 14, 2026

AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item # 4- Charitable Food Distribution Discussion

PURPOSE

This memo provides information on the outcomes of the Cotton St. Food Distribution initiative to support Committee conversation regarding the landscape of food distribution on the peninsula.

COMMITTEE WORK PLAN/CITY COUNCIL GOAL ALIGNMENT

The Health and Human Services and Public Safety (HHS&PS) Committee included a goal to “assess and consider regulation of charitable food distribution” in its 2026 workplan.

BACKGROUND

In August 2025, the City of Portland launched the Cotton St. Food Distribution pilot program in partnership with Preble Street, Milestone Recovery, and Hope Squad Maine. The program is designed to provide regular and coordinated delivery of existing community partner mobile meal services to unsheltered residents at one designated public site on the Portland peninsula.

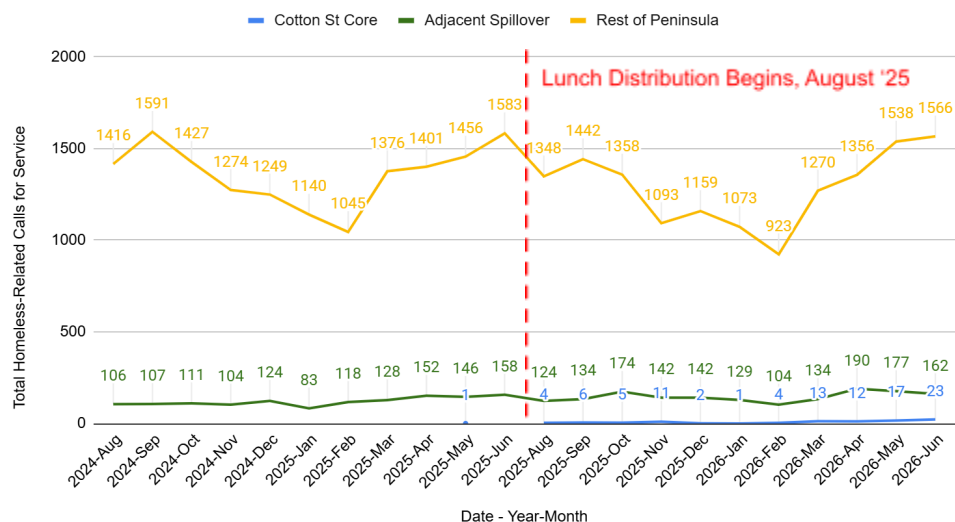
The initiative is part of a broader strategy to ensure food access for those in need while also addressing public health, safety, and sanitation challenges. Through collaboration between the City and community partners, the project aims to deliver services in a more sustainable, coordinated manner while maintaining the trust and wellbeing of surrounding neighborhoods. This voluntary partnership model was initially recommended by the City Council’s Health & Human Services and Public Safety Committee in 2024, as an alternative to regulating food distribution on public property.

After achieving its initial goals during the three-month pilot, the initiative was extended to include the addition of partners from Portland Downtown and First Parish Church. Other non-profits have been encouraged to join programming on site, with regular support from the City’s Mobile Medical Outreach team, Behavioral Health Unit, and others.

OUTCOMES

- **Food security-**
 - **Access-** The program has distributed more than 22,000 meals from its start in August 2025 to June 2026. On average 86 individuals per day are served with two meals, one designed for eating on site and the other as a takeaway meal. Demand for services fluctuates, with lower numbers in the winter season (~83/day) as compared to the summer season (~106/day, with regular peaks at 120+ individuals).
 - **Reliability-** Qualitative data indicates that recipients appreciate the reliability of the service, made possible by the low barriers to access and consistency of meal times and locations. The program has been cited as the primary means by which many unsheltered individuals access food services.
- **Calls for service**
 - **Localized Impact-** The Food Distribution implementation period is correlated with a significant localized increase in calls for service associated with homelessness.¹
 - Citizen calls for service are up 28% at Cotton St. and its adjacent block (from 1 call to 98 at Cotton, from 1,337 calls to 1,612 in surrounding block)
 - Calls for service in the Cotton Street area are concentrated outside of food distribution hours- 84% of calls occur outside of food distribution while just 16% occur during food distribution
 - **Overall reduction-** This localized increase does not represent a city-wide surge. Total public-initiated calls across the entire peninsula decreased by 2.8% (-460 calls), driven by a 5.6% drop (-832 calls) across the rest of the Peninsula. The data indicates a possible displacement effect, where existing activity has been pulled from other sectors and concentrated into the Cotton Street corridor.

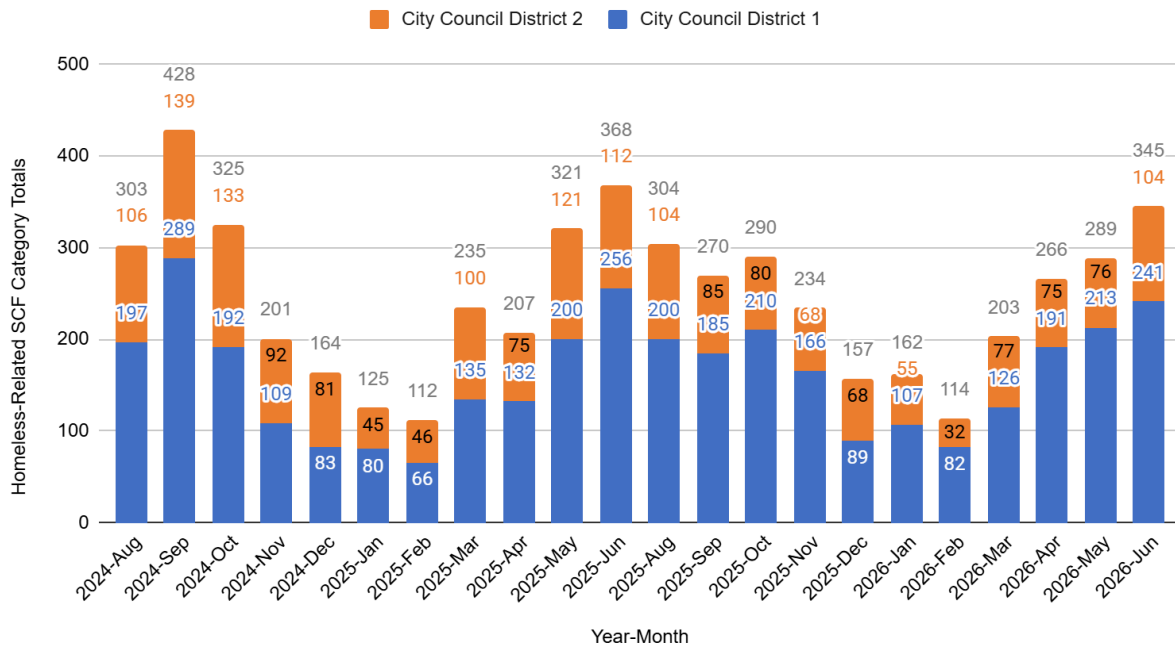
Monthly Homeless-related CFS from August '24 through June '26



¹ Calls for service analysis data included codes related to core nuisance and crisis codes (well being checks, behavioral health, persons bothering, overdose, etc), and property crime, while exclusions included traffic violations, domestic disputes, and routine administrative police tasks. The data analyzed two identical 331 day blocks: pre-program from Aug. 4, 2024 to June 30, 2025, and program implementation from Aug 4, 2025-June 30, 2026.

- **SeeClickFix (311)**
 - **Localized Impact** - The Food Distribution implementation period is correlated with a localized increase in 311 requests associated with public cleanliness and street-level friction in City Council District 1. Total municipal requests in District 1 rose by 4.1% (from 1,739 to 1,810 requests). This surge was driven almost entirely by hyper-local property impacts: trash on private property more than doubled, increasing by 115.6% (from 45 to 97 requests), while public right-of-way encampment reports increased by 100% (from 12 to 24 requests).²
 - While general public Trash/Recycling requests remained flat (+0.2%), trash on private property nearly doubled. Concurrently, encampment complaints inside established District 1 parks decreased by 76.7% (from 30 to 7 requests).
 - **Overall Reduction & Displacement:** This localized friction does not represent a peninsula-wide surge in municipal complaints. Total Homeless-Related SeeClickFix requests across the entire Peninsula actually decreased by 5.6% (-155 requests), heavily insulated by a 21.5% drop in District 2 (-226 requests). Notably, Homeless Camp reports in District 2 decreased by 50.4% (-113 requests), while Trash on Private Property decreased by 27.9% (-24 requests).

Monthly Homeless-Related SCF Request Volume, Peninsula



² See Click Fix (311) analysis data included municipal request categories related to public cleanliness, street-level friction, and homelessness (Encampment PW, Encampment Parks, Homeless Camp, Park & Trail Request, Police Issue, Public Restrooms, Trash on private property, and Trash/Recycling), restricted to City Council Districts 1 and 2 (the Peninsula), while exclusions included all other unrelated civic infrastructure, zoning, traffic, and routine municipal maintenance requests. The data analyzed two identical 331-day blocks: pre-program from Aug. 4, 2024 to June 30, 2025, and program implementation from Aug. 4, 2025 to June 30, 2026.

Table, Peninsula SeeClickFix Requests by City Council District

<i>District</i>	<i>SCF Category</i>	Pre-Implementation (08.04.24 - 06.30.25)	Implementation (08.04.25 - 06.30.26)	Net Change	% Change
City Council District 1					
	Encampment Parks	30	7	-23	-77%
	Encampment PW	12	24	+12	+100%
	Homeless Camp	659	698	+39	+6%
	Park & Trail Request	68	72	+4	+6%
	Police Issue	329	318	-11	-3%
	Public Restrooms	24	21	-3	-13%
	Trash on private property	45	97	+52	+116%
	Trash/Recycling	572	573	+1	+.2%
City Council District 1 Total		1739	1810	+71	+4%
City Council District 2					
	Encampment Parks	20	3	-17	-85%
	Encampment PW	2	2	0	0%
	Homeless Camp	224	111	-113	-50%
	Park & Trail Request	32	29	-3	-9%
	Police Issue	130	60	-70	-54
	Public Restrooms	8	2	-6	-75%
	Trash on private property	86	62	-24	-28%
	Trash/Recycling	548	555	+7	+1%
City Council District 2 Total		1050	824	-226	-21.5%

- **Neighborhood Impact-** Neighbors in the adjacent zone report significant and sustained secondary impacts affecting their quality of life and businesses. More than 100 incident reports have been shared with City staff from neighboring properties. Reported impacts range in acuity from persons loitering, to break ins and fires; ultimately impacting business revenue streams and workplace satisfaction among employees. As a result, several property management and businesses report significant dissatisfaction with the status quo and have requested that the program be relocated away from Cotton St. There are also regular occurrences in which pedestrians walk on Spring St. instead of the sidewalk in order to avoid individuals who may be obstructing the sidewalk. This poses additional safety challenges.
- **Wrap around services and addressing root cause issues-** All major social service and health providers with a mission that includes supporting the unsheltered population have been encouraged to join the program, either through direct food distribution or wrap around services on site. As the most reliable location to connect with unsheltered individuals, many wrap around services can create efficiencies through joining the effort.

Beyond the MOU partners, the Fire Department's Mobile Medical Outreach is the leading on-site provider. City outreach staff have been able to connect individuals to housing and shelter options. While it is impossible to separate out the relationship building on site from other relationship building efforts, in the last quarter (April - June 2026) the team has connected 12 individuals with the shelter, and successfully referred 27 individuals to the HOPE program for housing opportunities. HOPE supported four individuals into stable housing during this time, as well.

- **Collaboration Highlights and Challenges-**

- **Program Partners-** Cotton Street food security program partners work together under an MOU. Signatories include the City of Portland, Preble St., First Parish, Hope Squad, and Milestone. Each partner has reported improved collaboration as a result of the partnership.
- **Wrap around service partners-** Wrap around service partners have inconsistently joined the effort on site, many note the challenges with understaffing and meeting other commitments that limit their involvement, though they join when they can.
- **Non-program food distributors-** The collective strength of the partnership in reducing secondary impacts of food distribution elsewhere in the city is reduced by the increase in non-MOU partners. These partners operate outside of the norms of the MOU and distribute at different locations throughout the city.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

CONCLUSION(S)

The Cotton St. food program has succeeded in some areas, driving up consistency in food access from the leading outreach partners and bringing together a diverse group of stakeholders around a shared goal. In doing so, it has also created greater opportunity for efficiency in linking unsheltered individuals with additional resources. However, the impacts to the neighborhood are significant, and the increase in non-program actors distributing food has the potential to erode gains made.

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RELEVANT COMMITTEE DOCUMENTS

HHS&PS Committee Memo- [Distribution of Food on Public Property, Sept. 10, 2024](#)



To: Health and Human Services and Public Safety Committee
Councilor Anna Bullett, Chair

MEETING DATE

July 14, 2026

AGENDA ITEM

Agenda Item - CDBG Performance Metrics - Discussion around any policy direction related to CDBG performance metrics

PURPOSE

A policy discussion regarding performance metrics for CDBG recipients was initially part of the Housing and Economic Development Committee (HEDC) work plan. However, this item has been transferred to the Health and Human Services & Public Safety Committee (HHS&PS) work plan.

COMMITTEE WORK PLAN/CITY COUNCIL GOAL ALIGNMENT

This item was moved to the HHS&PS work plan as a result of scheduling conflicts within the HEDC, the need to meet deadlines for the CDBG Priority Setting Task Force, and better strategic alignment with the HHS&PS work plan.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires that Entitlement Jurisdictions, such as the City of Portland, establish a process that incorporates citizen participation in evaluating community needs, establishing local goals and priorities and the directing how Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) program funds are invested. The City is required to undergo the evaluation process every five years, which results in a 5-Year Consolidated Plan.

One piece of the City of Portland's adopted citizen participation process is the establishment of a Community Development Priority Setting Task Force which convenes every five years prior to the creation and submission of a new Con Plan. The 2026 Task Force consists of 14 Portland residents representing diverse and relevant populations and expertise. The Task Force work plan includes a review of community priorities as they relate to HUD-funded programs, as well as the policies and application for the annual CDBG allocation process. Their work includes the review of Council's Common Goals, the 2021 Con Plan's Needs, Goals and Priorities, and the guiding principles, scoring matrix and other criteria in the CDBG application. The group held their first meeting on April 22nd and continue to meet bi-weekly through the beginning of September. To date, the Task Force has completed their work on the Needs, Goals and Priorities (see Attachment

A) and have begun the review of the CDBG Guiding Principles (see Attachment B). The next item on their work plan is the scoring matrix. Once their work is complete, the Task Force will prepare a report that will be presented to the City Council with a request to adopt the recommendations as part of the 2027-2031 5-Year Consolidated Plan.

To assist the HHS&PS Committee with its discussion of CDBG performance metrics, in addition to the information regarding the work of the CDBG Priority Setting Task Force, staff has included examples of the accomplishment reporting screens (see Attachment C) in the HUD reporting system along with the quarterly report form that CDBG sub-recipients use when reporting program accomplishments (see Attachment D).

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no anticipated fiscal impact associated with this item.

CONCLUSION(S)

The information included in this memo is provided to assist the HHS&PS Committee with its discussion of CDBG performance metrics.

PRIOR COMMITTEE REVIEW: N/A

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ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Needs, Goals and Priorities
Attachment B - CDBG Guiding Principles
Attachment C - Examples of HUD Reporting System Accomplishment Screens
Attachment D - Example of Subrecipient Quarterly Reporting Form

PROPOSED GOALS & ACTIVITIES FOR THE 2027 - 2031 GRANT YEARS				
Need	GOAL - Priority Impact Area Definition (Provided by the CoP)	High Priority	Medium Priority	Low Priority
Neighborhood Investment & Infrastructure - create strong, safe, accessible, and vibrant neighborhoods	(1) Invest in infrastructure to improve neighborhood assets and build strong, safe, accessible and vibrant neighborhoods.	Alternative Modes of Transportation	Public Infrastructure and Maintenance in Target Neighborhood	Historic Preservation
	(2) Improve accessibility and livability through age-friendly designs and ADA compliance. Build sidewalks and trails to improve connectivity, increase the use of bicycles as a mode of transportation, and redevelop streetscapes to create shared streets for cars, bikes, and pedestrians that integrate with the fabric of the neighborhood.	Accessibility/ ADA compliance	Park and Recreation Facilities	
	(3) Support programs that increase safety in neighborhoods for residents and visitors throughout the year.	Senior Services	Community Center & Engagement Programs	
	(4) Invest in programs and services that address the specific needs of members of the community.	Disability Services	Non-profit Rehab	
	(5) Encourage programs that build a sense of inclusiveness, safety, and security within individual neighborhoods.			
		At Risk Youth Services	Tree Planting	
Housing Availability - Increase housing availability & affordability	(1) Increase housing availability and affordability to all Portland residents regardless of income, race, ethnicity, and family size.	Rental Assistance	Legal Services	
	(2) Encourage creative housing development through promoting a diversity of housing types while ensuring the inclusion of workforce and age-friendly housing.	Adaptive Reuse for Housing	Environmental testing and remediation	
		Rehabilitation of Existing housing	Energy Efficiency/weatherization	
		Fair Housing activities	Heating and Fuel Assistance	
		Tenant Landlord Counseling Services	Construction of New Housing (HOME Funds only)	
Economic Opportunity : Create economic opportunities to transition people out of poverty	(1) Invest in Portland businesses to enable them to expand to create jobs. Invest in people wanting to create microenterprises.	Career Advancement Services (Education, Job Training, GED Attainment, ESL)	Microenterprise Assistance	Façade Improvements
	(2) Engage job seekers in a continuum of services to increase their professional capacity, financial stability, and ability to maintain employment.	Job Retention Support Services (Childcare vouchers, Housing Counseling, Transportation Assistance, Afterschool Program / Food Access)	Job Creation	
	(3) Focus on a growing number of individuals and families who are working but unable to afford basic household necessities and difficult to employ populations including homeless, new Americans and single parent head of households.	Financial stability services (budgeting, financial planning, tax preparation)		
	(4) Combine resources and build partnerships between public and private entities to provide opportunities to transition Portland residents out of poverty to sustainable employment and financial stability.			
Address the Needs of the Unhoused : Reduce Homelessness by Providing Stabilizing Services	(1) Prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and entering into the shelter system.	Shelter Services - Employment Navigation/Navigator - Transportation Vouchers (conditional, with Job Retention Support Services)	Food Assistance	
	(2) Rapidly rehouse those who enter the shelter system.	Mental & Behavioral Health - Substance Use Disorder Assistance		
	(3) Provide necessary resources to assist vulnerable populations transition out of homelessness, including housing opportunities for individuals experiencing homelessness.	Housing and Housing Services for Long Term Shelter Consumers		

NEED	GOAL	PRIORITY IMPACT LEVEL
Neighborhood Investment & Infrastructure: <u>Description:</u> Public safety and mobility are key components to improving the livelihood of Portland neighborhoods. There is a significant need to build neighborhood sidewalks where none exist, improve ADA compliance, and increase access to alternative modes of transportation. Additionally, there is a need to increase resident's ability to remain or become active and engaged members of their neighborhoods through community-based services and programs. <u>Basis for Relative priority:</u> In 2019 & 2020, the Portland City Council identified four goals that identified this need: 1) 15 buses for 15 minutes: Add 15 buses to our fleet allowing us to reduce peak hour wait times to an hour to 15 minutes. 2) Light Hybrid rail to the eastern waterfront: install hybrid electric rail cars to come into Portland's eastern waterfront to reduce traffic. 3) Implement a plan for installation of solar arrays. 4) Increase public transit infrastructure and capacity in the City. The 2030 Comprehensive plan lists the following strategy: Full Service City: 2. Provide services to all residents. Operate City facilities and services in an efficient and effective manner that is responsive to all segments of the community. Resource: City of Portland 2019 & 2020 City Council Common Goals. and the 2030 City of Portland Comprehensive Plan	Create strong, safe, accessible and vibrant neighborhoods: <u>Description:</u> Invest in infrastructure to improve neighborhood assets and build strong, safe, accessible and vibrant neighborhoods. Improve accessibility and livability through age-friendly designs and ADA compliance. Build sidewalks and trails to improve connectivity, increase the use of bicycles as a mode of transportation, and redevelop streetscapes to create shared streets for cars, bikes, and pedestrians that integrate with the fabric of the neighborhood. Support programs that increase safety in neighborhoods for residents and visitors. Invest in programs and services that address the specific needs of members of the community. Encourage programs that build a sense of inclusiveness, safety, and security within individual neighborhoods.	Including but not limited to (in alphabetical order, not in order of priority): HIGH PRIORITY ● Accessibility/ADA compliance ● Alternative modes of transportation ● Community policing ● Park and Recreation Facilities ● Public infrastructure in targeted neighborhoods PRIORITY ● Community centers and engagement programs ● Disability Services ● Non-profit rehab ● Public infrastructure outside of targeted neighborhood ● Senior Services ● Tree planting

NEED	GOAL	PRIORITY IMPACT LEVEL
Housing Availability: <i>Description:</i> In the 2019 Housing report, it was reported that Portland has an affordability gap of \$255,796. In addition, there is a lack of affordable rental housing within Portland’s housing supply. The City Council continues to make housing availability and affordability their goal. <i>Basis for Relative priority:</i> In 2019 & 2020, the Portland City Council identified the following goal to address this need: Increase access to rental and home ownership that is safe, affordable, and accessible. Resources: <i>2030 Workforce Housing Demand Study</i> <i>2019 City of Portland Housing Committee, Interim Housing Report</i> <i>2019 & 2020 City Council Common Goals.</i>	Increase housing availability & affordability: <i>Description:</i> Increase housing availability and affordability to all Portland residents regardless of income, race, ethnicity, and family size. Encourage housing development by removing barriers to traditional urban housing types while ensuring the inclusion of workforce and age-friendly housing in significant development projects.	Including but not limited to (in alphabetical order, not in order of priority): HIGH PRIORITY ● Adaptive reuse for housing ● Construction of new housing (HOME funds only) ● Housing Retention ● Housing Start up Assistance ● Rehabilitation of existing housing PRIORITY ● Environmental testing and remediation ● Energy efficiency/weatherization ● Fair housing activities ● Heating and fuel assistance ● Legal services Tenant/landlord counseling services

NEED	Goal	PRIORITY IMPACT LEVEL
Economic Opportunity: <u>Description:</u> Portland has a well-developed employment support system with many established providers. However, the system is fragmented, providers work in silos, there is insufficient funding to cover needs of potential workers, and career planning and financial stability are often prioritized less than job placement. Employment retention support is scarce and turnover results in economic uncertainty for employees and higher costs for employers. <u>Basis for Relative priority:</u> In 2019 & 2020, the Portland City Council identified the following goal: Promote Economic Development in the City in a manner that provides for increased property values, diversification across industry sectors and high paying jobs. Specifically, as it relates to HUD programming and objectives, the Council further identified the need to advance work on the “Minority and Women-owned Business Development Initiative” and secure City Council approval to invest CDBG funds in workforce development. Resources: <i>Portland Economic Development Vision and Plan</i> <i>Portland Community Chamber of Commerce: Portland’s Economic Scorecard 2014-2015</i> <i>Muskie School of Public Service: The State of Infant Pre-K Childcare in Portland, Maine 2015</i> <i>GPCOG 2014-2018 Economic Development Action Plan</i>	Create economic opportunities to transition people out of poverty: <u>Description:</u> Invest in Portland businesses to enable them to expand to create jobs. Invest in persons wanting to create microenterprises. Engage job seekers in a continuum of services to increase their professional capacity, financial stability, and ability to maintain employment. Focus on difficult to employ populations including homeless, new Americans and single parent head of households. Combine resources and build partnerships between public and private entities to provide opportunities to transition Portland residents out of poverty to sustainable employment and financial stability.	Including but not limited to (in alphabetical order, not in order of priority): HIGH PRIORITY ● Career advancement services ● Education ● Job training ● GED attainment ● ESL ● Job Creation ● Job retention support services ● Childcare vouchers ● Housing counseling ● Transportation assistance ● Microenterprise Assistance

NEED	GOAL	PRIORITY IMPACT LEVEL
Address the Needs for Growing Homeless Population: <i>Description:</i> The shelter system in Portland is beyond capacity. Staff and local organizations struggle to deal with overflow strategies to meet increasing need. Data from 2019 showed that 79% of the shelter consumers were new consumers, the average length of stay at the shelter is under 60 days. Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing are key components to help reduce shelter usage and homelessness. Additionally, increased case management is needed for those who have mental illness and substance abuse issues to help them navigate the service delivery system. <i>Basis for Relative priority:</i> In 2019 & 2020 the Portland City Council identified the goal: Continue the effort to reduce homelessness, assist people experiencing homelessness through City, Regional, and State efforts. Resource: 2020 City Council Common Goals 20Health and Human Services Shelter Report	Prevent and Reduce Homelessness: <i>Description:</i> Prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and entering into the shelter system. Rapidly rehouse those who enter the shelter system. Provide necessary resources to assist vulnerable populations transition out of homelessness, including housing opportunities for chronically homeless or long-term stayers at homeless shelters.	Including but not limited to (in alphabetical order, not in order of priority): HIGH PRIORITY ● Behavioral Health Services ● Emergency services to prevent homelessness ● Food Assistance ● Housing and Housing Services for long-term shelter consumers ● Housing Startup Services ● Shelter services PRIORITY ● At risk youth services

This document presents a summary the current and proposed changes to the CDBG Scoring Categories. These categories are determined by the Priority Setting Task Forces (PSTF). Currently, an application is scored on a 100-point scale; the three Scoring Categories below comprise of 70 points of the 100-point scoring system, with Goal/Priority Impact/Community Need comprising of the final 30 points. Additional information on the Goals/Priority Impact/Community Need can be found on the Need/Goals/Priority Activities chart.

The “2021 Score Values” and “2021 Definitions” columns represents scoring values and definitions decided by the 2020 PSTF. The “2026 Proposed Definitions” column represents the 2026 PSTF’s proposed definitions aimed at increasing definition clarity for both applicants and the CDBG Allocation Committee, which scores applications. The 2026 PSTF met on July 1, 2026 and has not yet finalized definitions, category names, or scoring values; the 2026 Proposed Definitions are still in draft form.

Scoring Category		2021 Score Values	2021 Definitions	2026 Proposed Definitions
Guiding Principles	Measurable Community Impact	10*/5	Applicant demonstrates a significant and measurable community impact.	Programs and projects will be evaluated based on their potential to create significant, measurable, and lasting community impact. Significant impact is demonstrated by addressing a documented community need and producing meaningful, sustained improvements. Priority will be given to proposals that demonstrate a clear contribution to established goals, with outcomes that endure beyond the grant period and continue to benefit the community over time.
	Diversity & Inclusiveness	10*/5	Project addresses the community’s diversity and creates a culture of belonging.	Project addresses the community's heterogeneity and creates a culture of belonging among all Portlanders.
	Priority to Lower Incomes	10*/5	Priority should be given to projects that serve the lowest income persons.	Prioritizing projects that demonstrate impact to lowest income individuals and communities.
	Location*	5	Project benefits the targeted LMI area or neighborhood and considers other nearby improvements.	Project benefits the targeted LMI area or neighborhood and complements other ongoing or proposed community improvements.
	Sustainability*	5	Project demonstrates benefit to the environment through energy efficiency or similar considerations, as well as demonstrates economically sustainable practices.	Services: Project demonstrates programmatic viability and service delivery beyond the grant period. Construction: Project demonstrates meeting or exceeding current development standards and building codes as required by City of Portland standards.

*: The current Scoring Rubric limited Location and Sustainability to Development projects only. To balance scoring, Social Service applications weighed Measurable Community Impact, Diversity & Inclusiveness, and Priority to Lower Incomes higher.

The PSTF did not complete the Capacity to Deliver section of the Scoring Categories during the July 1st meeting. The PSTF will define these Scoring Categories during the July 15th meeting.

Scoring Category		2021 Scoring Values	2021 Definitions	2026 Proposed Definitions
Capacity to Deliver	Financial Need	5	Applicant demonstrates how CDBG funds are necessary to the program. If Applicant is requesting an increase in funding from the previous year, they sufficiently demonstrate a need and expansion of service.	To be determined by Task Force during the July 15th meeting
	Leveraged Funds	5	Project demonstrates other sources of funding in addition to the CDBG request	
	Experience Providing Service	5	Applicant demonstrates sufficient experience in delivering and managing this or similar projects.	
	Readiness to Proceed	5	Applicant demonstrates sufficient staff and organizational capacity to implement project promptly.	
	Financial Stability	5	Applicant demonstrated sufficient nonprofit status (if applicable), agency operating budget, and recent audit (if applicable).	

During the July 1st meeting, the PSTF did agree upon a definition of “Collaboration” but did not create a naming convention for this Scoring Category. The PSTF will finalize this Scoring Category during the July 15th meeting.

Scoring Category		2021 Scoring Values	2021 Definitions	2026 Proposed Definitions
Collaboration	Memorandum of Agreement/ Understanding	15 Points Total	<i>These three categories are undefined in the Program Guidelines. Please provide your definition which aims to provide clarity to both the applicants and the scorers.</i>	Scoring Category name is undefined as of July 1, 2026. The current working definition is: Applicant demonstrates awareness of current service provider ecosystem and identifies opportunities for collaboration with organizations that provide services similar to the proposed project.
	Letter of Support			
	Demonstrated Outreach			

Example of HUD Public Service (Social Service) Accomplishment Reporting

1 - People (General)	3500	
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Direct Benefit Data by Persons		
Race/Ethnicity		
Race	Total	Hispanic/Latino
White	1332	64
Black/African American	757	
Asian	31	
American Indian/Alaskan Native	9	
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	10	
American Indian/Alaskan Native & White	7	
Asian & White	4	
Other multi-racial	76	32
Totals	2226	96

Income Levels	
	Total
Extremely Low	66
Low	1182
Moderate	28
Non-Low/Moderate	950
Totals	2226
Percent Low/Mod	57.3 %

Example of HUD Development Activity Accomplishment Reporting

National Objective:
LMA

Public Facilities & Infrastructure

Total Persons Assisted :
2060

Of the Total Persons, Number of:

	Number of Persons
With New Access to this type of Public Facility or Infrastructure Improvement	2060
With Improved Access to this Type of Public Facility or Infrastructure Improvement	
With access to Public Facility or Infrastructure that is No Longer Substandard	
Total	2060

Accomplishments

Case Id:

Name:

Report Id:

Completed by

Accomplishments

Only click Complete and Submit on this step once Accomplishments have been provided.

Total Number of Persons Assisted	
Total Number of Unique Persons Assisted this Quarter	

Units of Service	
Units of Service provided this Quarter	

New Beneficiaries - Income	
Number of Extremely Low Income persons assisted (<30% AMI)	
Number of Low Income persons assisted (30%-50% AMI)	
Number of Moderate Income persons assisted (50% - 80% AMI)	
Number of persons assisted who are NOT Low to Moderate Income	

New Beneficiaries - Race/Ethnicity	
White - Total (Hispanic & Non-Hispanic)	
Black/African American (Hispanic & Non-Hispanic)	
Asian - Total (Hispanic & Non-Hispanic)	
American Indian/Alaskan Native - Total (Hispanic & Non-Hispanic)	
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander - Total (Hispanic & Non-Hispanic)	
American Indian/Alaskan Native & White - Total (Hispanic & Non-Hispanic)	
Asian & White - Total (Hispanic & Non-Hispanic)	
Black/African American & White - Total (Hispanic & Non-Hispanic)	
Am. Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African American - Total (Hispanic & Non-Hispanic)	
Other Multi-Racial - Total (Hispanic & Non-Hispanic)	

Beneficiaries - Race/Ethnicity (Hispanic Only)	
White - Hispanic	
Black/African American - Hispanic	
Asian - Hispanic	
American Indian/Alaskan Native - Hispanic	
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander - Hispanic	
American Indian/Alaskan Native & White - Hispanic	
Asian & White - Hispanic	
Black/African American & White - Hispanic	
Am. Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African American - Hispanic	
Other Multi-Racial - Hispanic	

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Narrative

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Narrative

Please provide a narrative describing accomplishments and barriers during this quarter.

Documentation

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CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the information contained in this Monthly Report is accurate and the project/program is operating in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the AGREEMENT by and between the city and the above named agency which I represent.

Signature

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