

July 27, 2023	BCC Agenda Date/Item:
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Board of County Commissioners Clackamas County

Approval of a grant agreement with Kaiser Permanente for Medical Respite Care Program. Grant value is \$250,000 for Two Years. Funding is through Kaiser Permanente. No County General Funds are involved.

Previous Board Action/Review	Briefed at Issues – August 1, 2023		
Performance Clackamas	Ensuring safe, healthy, and secure communities through developing a medical respite program for medically fragile individuals experiencing homelessness.		
Counsel Review	Yes	Procurement Review	No
Contact Person	Vahid Brown	Contact Phone	971-334-9870

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** The Housing & Community Development Division of Health, Housing & Human Services requests approval of a grant agreement with Kaiser Permanente for \$250,000 to fund the development of a medical respite care program for medically fragile individuals experiencing homelessness. Medical respite care is acute and post-acute care for people experiencing homelessness who are too ill or frail to recover from an illness or injury on the streets or in a shelter but who do not require hospital-level care. Unlike "respite" for caregivers, "medical respite" is short-term residential care that allows individuals experiencing homelessness the opportunity to rest, recover, and heal in a safe environment while accessing medical care and other supportive services. Medical respite care is generally offered in various settings, including freestanding facilities, homeless shelters, motels, and transitional housing.

Kaiser Permanente (KP), in collaboration with the National Institute for Medical Respite Care (NIMRC), will support a cohort of established and developing medical respite programs in the Pacific Northwest region. Clackamas County will participate in this cohort as part of this grant. The cohort will consist of up to six medical respite programs, including two previously funded programs and up to four new programs funded through this grant opportunity. Funding will be accompanied by customized training and technical assistance and participation in a peer learning community over 24 months from July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2025.

The funding awarded through this grant will allow the Housing & Community Development Division to fund a position to staff the cohort opportunity and design, develop, and implement a local medical respite program. Clackamas County has historically lacked any respite programs for people experiencing homelessness, and both the hospital and housing systems recognize the urgent need for respite care services. Shelter and transitional housing programs in Clackamas County report high numbers of participants experiencing homelessness with complex and acute medical care needs, which shelters are ill-equipped to provide on their experiencing homelessness back to the street after inpatient care. Addressing the health needs of people experiencing homelessness is a core priority of Clackamas County and its Board of Commissioners. Establishing a medical respite program is consistent with County policy priorities and the community's critical need for such services.

<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b> Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners of Clackamas County approve and execute this Contract with Kaiser Permanente for the Medical Respite Program.
Respectfully submitted,  Rodney A. Cook  Rodney A. Cook
Director of Health, Housing & Human Services

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Attn:

**Tootie Smith** 

Kaiser Permanente Hospitals has nearly a 75-year history and mission of improving the health of not only our members, but the communities we serve. As a nonprofit health plan with no shareholders, we make investments in our communities. We believe in assisting organizations like yours that make a difference in people's lives.

We are pleased to award a Kaiser Permanente Special Initiative grant to Clackamas County. The purpose of this grant is to offer support to Medical Respite Care Program.

## **Grant terms and conditions:**

1. Grant purpose: A 24-month grant totaling \$250,000.00. This award is to support Medical Respite Care Program, as described in the grant proposal submitted on 4/21/2023. Payments will be distributed based on the following schedule.

## Full amount paid upon completion of the grant agreement.

- 2. To enhance our grantor/grantee partnership and maximize coordination and visibility around key events, grantee agrees to acknowledge Kaiser Permanente as a sponsor during the period of this grant. Recognition shall include name and logo visibility in all printed and web-based program materials and receive approval from the Community Health Department of Kaiser Permanente for your agencies news releases and other communication tools about the grant. Recognition should also include one table at grantee's primary annual fundraising event. Kaiser Permanente will receive recognition, but no tangible benefits will be provided/accepted, like the cost of food which can be invoiced directly to Kaiser Permanente in advance of the event.
- 3. Each qualified nonprofit organization requesting a contribution must reveal any potential conflicts of interest to Kaiser Foundation Hospitals or Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of the Northwest prior to the award in accordance with Kaiser Permanente's Principles of Responsibility.
- 4. Grantee shall submit an acknowledgement letter after the grant funds have been received. The acknowledgement letter will: 1. List the legal name of the recipient organization. 2. State the amount of the contribution 3. Date the contribution was received. 4. A statement that no goods and/or services were provided in return for the contribution 5. Addressed to Kaiser Foundation Hospitals (01) **NOT** to Kaiser Permanente. 6. Your organizations employer identification number and tax-exempt code (i.e. 501 (c)(3), 501(c)(8)). 7. Name and signature of the Executive Director and/or another officer of the organization. A template letter will be provided for you with delivery of the check.
- 5. Grantee represents that it is currently and shall remain during the period funded, a nonprofit public benefit corporation exempt from federal income taxes under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or a local,

state or federal government agency eligible to receive charitable contributions. As described in the grant proposal submitted.

- 6. In no event shall Grantee use all or any part of the Donation to (a) support a political campaign, (b) support or influence any government legislation, except making available the results of non-partisan analysis, study, or research, or (c) grant an award to another party.
- 7. Grantee shall submit outcomes report for this project to Kaiser Permanente based on the schedule below. You will be asked to report on your submitted Smart Goals and outcomes. You will be provided a link 30 days prior to the report due date.

Interim Report Due: 1/31/2024 Interim Report Due: 7/31/2024 Interim Report Due: 1/31/2025 Final Report Due: 7/31/2025

- 8. Whenever possible and appropriate, Grantee shall publicly acknowledge Kaiser Permanente for this grant, only after receiving written approval from Kaiser Permanente's Northwest Region. This includes allowing Kaiser Permanente to review your agency's news release and other communication tools about the grant.
- 9. This grant represents a one-time gift and does not signify that additional grants will be awarded in successive years.

Kaiser Permanente acknowledges local non-profit organizations that are making a difference in our community. We are pleased to support the vital work of Clackamas County.

By signing this, you indicate your agreement to the terms and conditions outlined within this letter (please copy and keep a signed document for your records). After this letter has been signed and returned, the grant funds may be released to your agency. If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact Nina Miyata at 808-798-5201 or Nina.Y.Miyata@kp.org.

Sincerely,

Tracy Dannen-Grace Director, Community and Social Health 500 NE Multnomah St, Suite 100-8 Portland, OR 97232 Date

Tootie Smith Chair Clackamas County

Date