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Provider Informational Session: Houseless Services Grant Program

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Supporting Collaborative Efforts

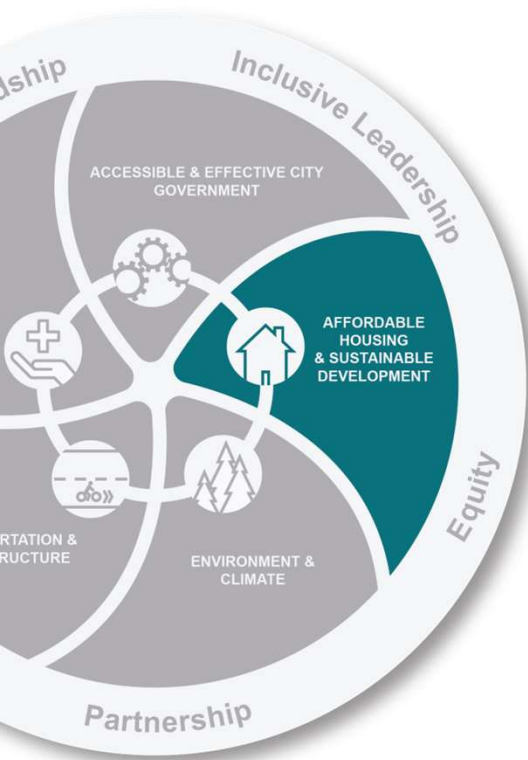


- **September 5, 2024:** Joint Meeting of the Board of County Commissioners and the Bend City Council
- **October 23, 2024:** Deschutes County adopted a joint resolution to create a Temporary Safe Stay Area at Juniper Ridge
- **October 29, 2024:** City Council adopted the joint resolution at a special meeting
- **November 6, 2024:** Bend City Council adopted a resolution to create the Houseless Services Grant Program
- **January – May 2025:** Expansion of services at TSSA, including sanitation and housing-focused case management.
- **May 31, 2025:** Closure of areas owned by the City and County outside of the Temporary Safe Stay Area



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Supporting City Council 2023-2025 Goals



- Optimize Housing Continuum
 - ...Maintain existing level of shelter beds
 - Actively pursue partnerships to create... additional capacity for emergency shelters, transitional and affordable housing, and supportive services

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

- The City of Bend was allocated \$14.08 million in ARPA funding
- Intended to support urgent COVID-19 response efforts, including addressing systemic public health and economic challenges
- Houselessness has been exacerbated by the pandemic
- Houseless Services Grant Program is using all remaining City ARPA funds

Source	Amount	Intended Projects
Existing Grant 2024-442 for Homeless Solutions	\$750,000	General Shelter Operations
Deschutes County ARPA for TSSA	\$400,000	Temporary Safe Stay Area Case Management (request)
City ARPA (TSSA match)	\$400,000	Temporary Safe Stay Area Case Management
City ARPA (descope from other contract)	\$1,497,675	Any eligible project
Total (anticipated)	\$3,047,675	

Eligible Project Types

Housing- focused Case Management at TSSA

Allocation of \$800,000 assumes funding for:

- 4 hours per week of case management services
- Initial Service Plan
- 60% engagement
- Basic needs funding including food, securing identification, job skills training, transportation
- Pet supplies and care
- Housing application fees and arrears
- Staff training for providers and gas reimbursement



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Outreach & Case Management at the TSSA



- Collaborative Efforts:
 - Multiple providers desired
 - Case Conferencing
 - Entering Data into HMIS
- Housing Focused Case Management, includes:
 - Individual service plans*
 - Assistance applying for housing and housing assistance
 - Barrier assistance
 - Health care referrals
 - Assistance acquiring documentation (ID, birth certificates, DD-214, etc.)
 - Assistance accessing public benefits (SSI, SSDI, TANF, unemployment, etc.)
 - Employment support, job skills development, and education resources



Eligible Grant Projects

New Safe Parking Start Up and Operations

Eligible expenses include all aspects of set up and operations and associated costs. Projects must comply with all applicable provisions of the City of Bend code.

Safe Parking – Existing Sites

Existing Safe Parking sites are eligible for grants to maintain the site and provide housing-centered case management and/or to increase services at the existing site.

Shelter Services

Existing shelter sites, including high- and low-barrier shelters, are eligible for funds to maintain and expand operations and services.

Housing-focused Case Management & Houseless Prevention Services

Eligible expenses may include, but are not limited to, case management personnel costs and supplies, payment of rental housing application fees, payment of rent arrears when such arrears are preventing households from accessing or maintaining permanent housing, and payment of deposit and other reasonable move-in costs. Case management must be offered for at least 3 months.



Safe Parking

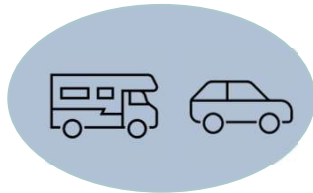
- **New Safe Parking:** Start-up and operation of new safe parking sites
- **Existing Safe Parking:** Maintain existing safe parking sites and provide housing-centered case management and/or increase services at the existing site.
- **Eligible Expenses:**
 - Start-up
 - Operations
 - Housing-focused case management (including client assistance)
- Projects must offer housing focused case management



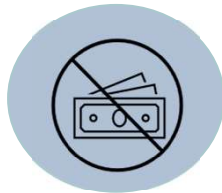
Safe Parking – Chapter 4.10 Bend Municipal Code

Overnight Camping

Up to 3 spaces



Vehicles Only



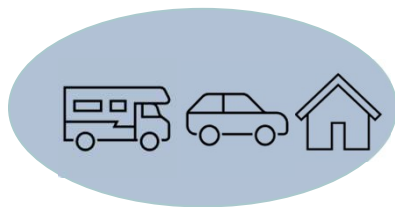
No fee may
be required



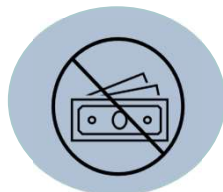
Sanitation
Services

Temporary Overnight Parking Accommodations:

Up to six spaces



Vehicles and/or
Temporary Structures



No fee may
be required



Sanitation
Services



Case management
or supervision



Notice to Adjacent
Neighbors



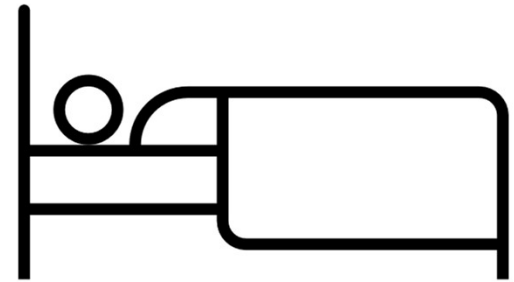
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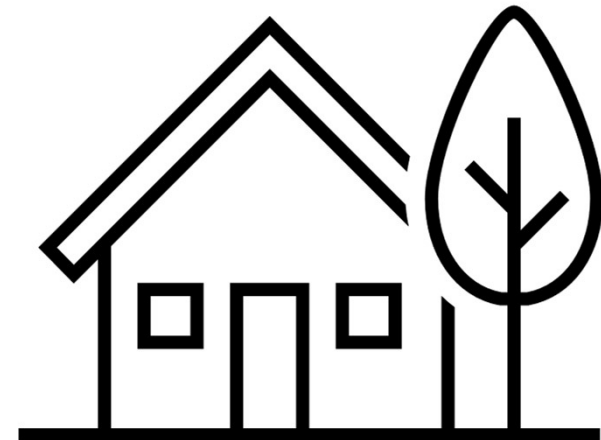
Shelter Services

- Funds for high- and low-barrier shelters
- Projects must offer housing-focused case management
- Eligible Expense Types Include Costs Associated with:
 - Maintaining & expanding operations and services
 - Identifying sites and starting up a shelter or moving an existing shelter to a new location



Housing Focused Case Management & Houseless Prevention Services

- Projects not included in other categories
- Housing-focused case management for clients who are:
 - At risk of experiencing houselessness
 - Previously experienced houselessness
 - Currently experiencing houselessness
- Prevention Services to support households in maintaining their current housing
 - Housing focused case management must be offered, but not required, for a period of 3 months



Housing Focused Case Management & Houseless Prevention Services



- Eligible expenses may include, but are not limited to:
 - Case management personnel costs
 - Payment of application fees
 - Payment of rent arrears when such arrears are preventing households from accessing or maintaining permanent housing
 - Payment of deposit and other reasonable move-in costs
 - Other costs reasonably associated with providing services in this category



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Application Timeline & Process

Timeline:

- **November 7, 2024:** Applications Open
- **December 7, 2024:** Applications Close
- **December 31, 2024:** All Agreements Fully Executed
- **December 31, 2026:** All Funds Fully Spent

Note: Applications will be considered on a rolling-basis. If the review team has follow-up questions, applicants will be provided 24 hours to respond.

APPLICATIONS OPEN: Houseless Services Grant Program

Overview: ▼

At the November 6th meeting, City Council approved a resolution to create a Houseless Services Grant Program using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and other funds. The program funds are intended to be used to support community-based organizations in addressing houselessness, which has been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Total funding available for the grant program is approximately \$3,045,675.00.

The following project types are eligible to apply:

- New Safe Parking Start Up and Operations
- Existing Safe Parking Sites
- Shelter Services
- Outreach and Case Management for Unsheltered Individuals and Families in the Temporary Safe Stay Area at Juniper Ridge
- Housing-Focused Case Management and Houseless Prevention Services

Please see City Council materials linked below in the resources section for a full overview of eligible project types.

Timeline & Application Process ▶

Resources: ▶



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