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## REPORT TO COUNCIL

**DATE:** April 9, 2014

**TO:** Mayor Charlie Hales  
City Council  
Auditor LaVonne Griffin-Valade

**FROM:** Dan Saltzman 

**RE:** Accept report on interim results of the *Women into Housing Now* and *Home Start* initiatives (Report)

I am pleased to submit this report for your consideration on actions that I have directed the Portland Housing Bureau and its partners to take in order to meet immediate needs of highly vulnerable women, families, and adults with disabilities experiencing homelessness through the *Women into Housing Now* (WiHN) and *Home Start* initiatives.

I appreciate the support of my Council colleagues to invest in effective strategies to address homelessness and am pleased to share the early results of two of those special investments, one of which was funded through the Fall Budget Monitoring Process.

To create *Women into Housing Now*, I directed the Portland Housing Bureau to allocate \$300,000 within its existing FY 2013-14 budget to provide immediate safety off of the streets and rapid placement into permanent housing for more than 90 vulnerable women experiencing homelessness.

Several months following *Women into Housing Now*, Council approved an appropriation of \$1.7 million to fund the *Home Start* program which serves vulnerable individuals and families in geographic focused areas. \$700,000 of the allocation supports Multnomah County's mobile family housing team, which includes Oregon Department of Human Services staff.

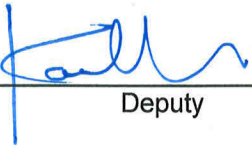
The remaining \$1 million addresses the needs of adults over age 55, as well as vulnerable adults affected by physical and mental health issues and violence. The collaborative model included several unique components, including a partnership with public safety, an additional mental health outreach worker, expansion of a mobile outreach model, partnerships with culturally specific organizations, and connections to a benefits acquisition program.

Both initiatives prioritized individuals of color, those with disabling conditions, and survivors of domestic violence or assault. The attached Exhibit A describes the providers and intervention activities for both initiatives.

The first quarter's results will be available at the April 16 Council presentation.

Agenda No.  
**REPORT**  
 Title

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<p><b>INTRODUCED BY</b>          Commissioner/Auditor:  <b>Saltzman</b></p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>APR 11 2014</u></p>
<p><b>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</b></p> <p>Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales</p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz</p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish</p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman</p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Novick</p> <p><b>BUREAU APPROVAL</b></p> <p>Bureau:          Bureau Head:</p> <p>Prepared by: Amy Trieu          Date Prepared: 04/09/14</p> <p>Financial Impact &amp; Public Involvement Statement          Completed x <input type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><b>City Auditor Office Approval:</b>          required for Code Ordinances</p> <p><b>City Attorney Approval:</b>          required for contract, code, easement, franchise, charter, Comp Plan</p> <p>Council Meeting Date <b>04/16/14</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LaVonne Griffin-Valade          Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By:  Deputy</p> <p><b>ACTION TAKEN:</b>          APR 16 2014 <b>ACCEPTED</b></p>

<b>AGENDA</b>
<p><b>TIME CERTAIN</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Start time: <u>9:30</u></p> <p>Total amount of time needed: <u>45</u>          (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p><b>CONSENT</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p><b>REGULAR</b> <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Total amount of time needed: _____          (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Novick	4. Novick	✓	
Hales	Hales	✓	