

## A Needs Assessment

## of Emergency/Basic Needs Services in Washington County, OR

This survey will take only about five minutes to complete. Please complete it and return in the enclosed postagepaid envelope as soon as possible, but no later than **Friday**, **August 20**. Questions? Please contact Lowell Greathouse at CAO, 693-3220.

• 1. Does your organization RECEIVE any requests for emergency or basic needs services? (Examples are provided in the list on the top of the back side of this sheet.)

🔲 Yes

- □ No → If you don't receive requests, you are finished with the survey. STOP NOW and mail it back.
- 2. Does your organization PROVIDE any emergency or basic needs services? (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.)
  - No, because providing such services is not part of our mission.
  - No, because there are not enough financial resources to do so.
  - No, because there is no one available to organize responses to requests.
  - No, because we are not sure what is needed or how to provide such services.
  - No, because providing such services is too complicated for an organization of our size.
  - No, because we wouldn't know how to determine legitimacy of the requests.
  - No, because of another reason:
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- 3. When you receive requests that you are not able to fulfill, do you refer individuals elsewhere?

🔲 No

🔲 Yes, though rarely.

Yes, occasionally.

🔲 Yes, usually.

If yes, what organizations (name up to 3) receive the most referrals from you?

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4. As providers in Washington County, how can we all do a better job of providing emergency and basic needs services. Not counting increased funding, please list the TWO MOST IMPORTANT changes that would let your organization meet more needs in Washington County. They might be policy changes, organizational changes, changes in political climate, whatever . . .

A.\_\_\_\_\_ Β. WHAT'S THIS NUMBER? Your survey information will be anonymous, Continued, over ..... but we need to know who has returned surveys so we can follow up to retrieve the others. This edge of the survey will be cut off before the data is entered.

5.	Place a check mark in one of the three boxes	on	each	line	to	show	if yo	u've	been	asked	to
	provide the service and if you do.										

	_	Not asked to provide	Asked to provide, but don't	Provide
Α.	emergency housing for less than a week			
В.	emergency housing for a week or more			
C.	food baskets or vouchers for food			
D.	financial assistance to pay for housing			
E.	financial assistance to pay for utilities			
F.	financial assistance to pay for health care			
G.	financial assistance to pay for child care			
н.	financial assistance to pay for transportation			
١.	clothing			
J.	household items (e.g., blankets, furniture)			Q
К.	protection in an abuse situation			
L.	mental health services for low-income citizens			
M.	respite care for low-income citizens			
N.	legal assistance in emergency situations	ū		
О.	assistance in locating affordable housing			
Ρ.	assistance in locating affordable child care			
Q.	assistance in locating employment			
R.	other (specify)	ū		
S.	other (specify)			

6. The services listed in Question 5 are lettered. Please indicate the most requested, second most requested and third most requested services by writing their letter in these blanks.

\_\_\_\_\_Most requested \_\_\_\_\_Second most requested \_\_\_\_\_\_Third most requested

7. The IMPORTANCE of the services you provide may or may not be the same as the number of times the service is requested. Please indicate the most important, second most important and third most important services by writing their letters from Question 5 in these blanks.

Most important Second most important Third most important

8. Using your best estimates, please fill in the two blanks in this statement.

Each year, we receive approximately \_\_\_\_\_\_ requests for emergency or basic needs services and are

able to meet approximately percent of them.

THANK YOU for providing this important information.