

Annual LAO Compliance Report for FY 2019-2020

Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing

SUMMARY OF COMPLIANCE CHANGES

1.FY 2019-2020

1. Please provide a summary of all language access changes in your Department since FY 2019-2020.

SUMMARY OF COMPLIANCE REPORT CHANGES & KEY BARRIERS

A.Explain changes in strategies and procedures, and indicate whether these changes have improved the Departments language access services from the previous year.

Description of Change	Improved Language Access Services?
Several database systems were successfully migrated within the department's ONE System database.	Yes
The department has implemented the recorded telephonic message system with the required threshold languages.	Yes
Office hours are posted at the entrance of our 440 Turk location in the threshold languages.	Yes
A Language Line Account was setup for the department, so we would not be reliant on Human Services Agency's account.	Yes

B. Indicate any key barriers that have prevented your Department from achieving your LAO goals and any proposed solutions.

Barriers	Proposed Solutions
Due to the delay in our department's move to 440 Turk and our department's response to	The staff interaction log will be implemented by the department.

COVID-19, department staff have not started tracking interactions with LEP clients.	
The department did not expand the number of certified bilingual employees within the department.	The department will actively recruit staff to become certified bilingual employees within the department.

II. DEPARTMENTAL GOALS

2. Assessment of Progress in Meeting Previous Year's Goals

Please provide an update on how your department is meeting your current goals. These are the goals that your department indicated in last year's report.

1. The department has expanded its collection of relevant language information from clients who are entering into the ONE System.
2. The department has implemented the recorded telephonic message system with the required threshold languages. HSH has provided information for clients regarding COVID-19 in the threshold languages.
3. The department has implemented additional LAO requirements since the FY18-19 report including ... (e.g. posted hours of operation at the entrance, translation department documents, & providing interpreters at public meetings.

3. Goals for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Please provide a description of your department's Language Access Ordinance goals for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (bullet points).

1. Roll out the department's staff interaction log for LEP clients.
2. Increase the number of certified bilingual employees within the department.
3. The department will post signage regarding available interpretation services at 440 Turk.

III. CLIENT INFORMATION

4. Primary/Preferred Language Information

Do you collect and record primary/preferred language data on clients as part of your intake or application process?

Yes

5. Data Collection Method

What method did you use to determine the number and percentage of limited English proficient (LEP) persons who actually used your department's services citywide during FY 2019-2020?

See OCEIA Guidance, Section I

* You may measure this information by: 1) analyzing information collected during the Department's intake process for all clients; or 2) conducting an annual survey of all contacts with the public made by the Department during a period of at least two weeks; or 3) analyzing and calculating the annual total number of requests for telephonic translation (interpretation) services. If you use the survey method, please pro-rate your results to produce estimated totals for the full year. For example: data from a two-week survey should be multiplied by 26; data from a one-month survey should be multiplied by 12.

Please provide the method you used to determine the number LEP persons actually served.

- a. Intake b. Annual Survey c. Number of telephonic interpretation requests

Description (Optional)

HSH has brought 3 of the 5 existing data sets created by legacy departments into the ONE System. Shortly, a fourth will be added. The full implementation of the ONE System will ensure LEP data collection.

6. Number of LEP Persons who Used Department's Services During FY 2019-2020

a. Please indicate the number and percentage of LEP persons who actually used your department's services city wide during FY 2019-2020:

See Guidance, Section I

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TOTAL CLIENTS (#)	LEP CLIENTS (#)	LEP CLIENTS BY LANGUAGE (#) ?						
		CAN	FIL	MDRN	RUS	SPN	VIET	Other
6,856	1,480	25	32	11	14	833	12	553 Other

Key: CAN = Cantonese
RUS = Russian

FIL = Filipino (Tagalog)
SPN = Spanish

MDRN = Mandarin
VIET = Vietnamese

Please indicate the number of clients served in other languages:

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LANGUAGE	LEP CLIENTS (#)
Arabic	39
Samoan	9
Tigrinya	6
Amharic	8
Hindi	4
French	4
Japanese	2
American Sign Language (ASL)	2
Korean	2
Italian	4
Mongolian	4
Urdu	3
Nepali	3
Cambodian	3
Burmese	2
Wolof	2
polish	1
Farce	1
Garifuna	1
Nigerian	1
Portuguese	1
Ayitian	1
Hungarian	1
Thai	1
German	1
Nepal	1
Farsi	1
Zulu	1
Swedish	1
asann-romo	1
Banyangi	1
Tzeltal	1
Punjabi	1
Italian and French	1
Mixteco	1
Maya	1
(blank)	219
Client doesn't know	7

b. If you used information from the Intake process (if you checked "a" in #5 above) , please provide a breakdown of the number of LEP persons served at each Covered Department Facility.

LEP CLIENTS BY COVERED DEPARTMENT FACILITY										
Facility Name/ Location	Total Clients Served at Facility (#)	LEP Clients (#)	% LEP	LEP Clients Served at the Facility by Language(#)						
				CAN	FIL	MDRN	RUS	SPN	VIET	Other (specify)
ONE System	6,856	1,480	21.60%	25	32	11	14	833	12	553

IV. DATA ON TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETATION DURING FY 2019-2020

7. Translated Written Materials


a) Please indicate how many of the Department's materials (e.g. applications, forms, notices of rights, program material, etc.) have been translated into each of the following languages.

See Guidance, Section II (a)

Language	Total Materials	CHN	FIL	RUS	SPN	VIET	Other #1 (specify)	Description
All Translated Materials	76	21	18	4	31	1	1	Amharic
Number of Vital Documents								

b) Please list all of the Department's written materials(e.g. applications, forms, notices of rights, program material, etc.) that have been translated, the language(s) into which they have been translated, and the persons who have reviewed the translated materials for accuracy and appropriateness.

See Guidance, Section II (a)

Please upload your Translated Materials Log as an Excel file	Your file is uploaded  Download Blank Excel Template
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8. Telephone-Based Interpretation Services

Describe any telephone-based interpretation services used for FY 2019-2020 (July 1 through June 30). Please include information on call volumes and language use. If your department uses multiple telephone-based interpretation services, which may include LanguageLine Solutions, other vendors, or internal staff, please indicate each on a separate line.

See Guidance, Section II (b)

What telephonic interpretation services were used?	Total Call Volume (LEP Clients)	Total Call Volume by Language							
		CAN	FIL	MDRN	RUS	SPN	VIET	Other #1 (Specify)	Other #2 (Specify)
HSH Staff	5	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

9. In-Person Interpretation Services

How many times did multilingual employees provide in-person interpretation services in FY 2019-2020(July 1 through June 30)? Please include information on the number of times in-person interpretation was provided in each language .

See Guidance, Section II (c)

Total	Number of Times Interpretation Provided, by Language							
	CAN	FIL	MDRN	RUS	SPN	VIET	Other #1 (Specify)	Other #2 (Specify)
12				12				

Description (Optional)

The department did not implement a process to track In-person interpretation services for FY 19/20. However, HSH will utilize the the interaction log for LEP clients for FY 20/21 to track in-person interpretation services.


10. Oral Interpretation at Public Meetings

Total Multilingual Public Contact Employee	8					8		
All Public Contact								

Description (Optional)

Please provide a roster of your department's Multilingual Employees (excluding those employees who are self-designated as competent in a language other than English). Use additional pages as needed. See Roster of Multilingual Employees from OCEIA.

ROSTER OF MULTILINGUAL EMPLOYEES				
Name	Title	Office Location	Languages (other than English)	DHR Certified? (Y/N)
Sergio Canjura	1820 Junior Administrative Analyst	440 Turk Street	Spanish	Yes
Salvador Lopez	2932 Senior Behavioral Health Clinician	440 Turk Street	Spanish	Yes
Josue Mejia	2587 Health Worker III	2176 Mission Street	Spanish	Yes
Salvador Meza	2587 Health Worker III	520 Jones Street	Spanish	Yes
Rocio Novoa	2587 Health Worker III	238 Eddy Street	Spanish	Yes
Roberto Meneses	2587 Health Worker III	520 Jones Street	Spanish	Yes
Cindy Chimal	2587 Health Worker III	520 Jones Street	Spanish	Yes
Edgardo Esparza	2587 Health Worker III	238 Eddy Street	Spanish	Yes

<p>Please upload your Roster of Multilingual Employees as an Excel file</p>	<p>Your file is uploaded </p> <p>Download Blank Excel Template</p>
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b) Assess the number of additional multilingual employees needed in FY 2019-2020 and beyond to meet the requirements of the Language Access Ordinance.

See Guidance, Section III (b)

Is the current number of multilingual employees adequate to meet LAO requirements?	If no, indicate the number of additional multilingual employees needed and corresponding language(s)
No	The department needs Cantonese and Filipino speakers. In the interim staff continue to utilize Language Line for LEP needs.

If you have indicated that the number of multilingual employees in your Department is inadequate to meet the requirements of the Language Access Ordinance, please state your Department's plans to meet those requirements

HSH has a staff of less than 140 employees and the majority of LEP are Spanish speaking . HSH plans to utilize Language Line and other professional services contractors to meet the requirements of the Language Access Ordinance.

12. Employee Development and Training

See Guidance, Section III (c)

a) Which of the following methods does your Department use to verify the quality of multilingual employees' language proficiency skills?

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DHR multilingual certification
<input type="checkbox"/>	External certification process
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other method (describe):
<input type="checkbox"/>	Our Department does not have a method to verify the quality of multilingual employees' language proficiency skills

b) Does your Department offer training for public contact staff on how to provide language assistance services to LEP individuals?

Yes


The department has held a training during the FY 19/20 and FY 20/21 regarding the LAO requirements at our All Staff meetings. Language assistance services were discussed and materials were distributed to HSH staff.

VI. LANGUAGE SERVICE AND COMMUNICATION PROTOCOLS

13. Language Access Policies

Please provide a brief summary of your department's procedures for providing services to LEP persons, using the boxes below.

LANGUAGE ACCESS POLICIES AND PROTOCOLS

a) Does your department have a written Language Access Policy ?	Yes
b) Please provide a brief summary of the policy.	The draft policy covers how The Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing staff will provide services and information to Limited English Proficient speakers.
c) Please upload your department's full Language Access Policy.	Your file is uploaded 
d) Does your department work with clients in crisis or emergency situations ?	Yes
If yes, please describe the nature of crisis or emergency situations (e.g., fire, natural disaster, domestic violence, other).	other
e) Does your department have a protocol for serving LEP persons in crisis or emergency situations?	Yes
If yes, please provide a brief summary of your Department's protocol for serving LEP persons in crisis or emergency situations, including the use of multilingual staff for assisting LEP persons and the translation of any warning signs.	The department has certified bilingual employees that work within our Adult Housing residential program. In the event that LEP clients are in crisis, HSH's bilingual staff are trained to deal with verbal abuse, threats or actual violence. Staff will utilize the principles described in the Management of Assaultive Behavior training.

14. Recorded Telephonic Messages

a) Please list any recorded telephonic messages that are available in languages other than English, and describe the content of recorded messages (e.g. office hours and location; information about programs and services; other types of assistance).

CONTENT OF RECORDED	LANGUAGE (Mark all boxes that apply)					

MESSAGE	CAN	FIL	MDRN	RUS	SPN	VIET	(specify)	
Office Hours and Location	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Information about Programs and Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other (please describe) Covid-19 Information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

b) Assess the availability and quality of your department's recorded telephonic messages in languages other than English .

See Guidance, Section IV (a)

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Please explain.

The department provides essential information related to the COVID-19 pandemic in all threshold languages on our recorded telephonic message. Since our office is currently closed due to the outbreak, HSH does not offer office hours and location as part of our message.
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15. Telephonic Requests for Translation or Interpretation Services

a) Describe your Department's procedures for handling telephonic requests for translation or interpretation services.

Our procedure is included in the office Language Access policy.

b) Assess the quality of your department's procedures for handling telephonic requests for translation or interpretation services.

See Guidance, Section IV (b)

Adequate

Please explain.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the majority of HSH staff are working remotely. HSH staff that have City cell phones are able to utilize Language Line to provide interpretation services to clients over the phone, in addition to provider partners who continue to have access to these services from service/program locations. The Department needs to expand the number of Cantonese and Filipino Certified Bilingual Public Contact Employee to handle phone calls.

16. In-Person Requests for Translation or Interpretation Services

a) Describe your Department's procedures for handling in-person requests for translation or interpretation services.

Our procedure is included in the office Language Access policy.

b) Assess the quality of your department's procedures for handling in-person requests for translation or interpretation services.

See Guidance, Section IV (c)

Adequate

Please explain.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, fewer staff have in-person interactions with clients. However, our Certified Bilingual Public Contact Employees continue to work in our HSH Hotels, providing in-person services. As part of the City's response to COVID-19, HSH staff were deployed as Disaster Service Workers to Alternative Housing Sites as well as to the Emergency Operations Center / COVID-19 Command Center. Interpretation and translation services for these sites are provided through the Emergency Operations Center / COVID-19 Command Center.

17. Public Notices of Availability of Language Access Services

a) For in-person or over-the-counter contacts, please indicate whether there is a notice posted in a public place informing LEP persons of their right to request translation or interpretation, and the languages that this notices is printed in.

Public notice posted informing LEP persons of their right to request language access in the following languages:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Filipino
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chinese
<input type="checkbox"/>	Russian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Spanish
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vietnamese
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other

b) Assess the quality of your department's public notices of availability of language access services.

See Guidance, Section IV (d)

Adequate

Please explain.

At our new location at 440 Turk, hours of operations are posted at the main entrance in Filipino, Cantonese and Spanish. Interpretation Services Available signage will be clearly posted in the lobby area by fall of 2020.

VII. BUDGET AND EXPENDITURES FOR LANGUAGE SERVICES

18. Language Services Expenditures in FY 2019-2020

Please provide the following information on the annual budget and actual expenses for Language Services provisioning.

See Guidance, Section V (a)

Language Access Services	FY 2019-2020 Actual Expenses
1. Compensatory pay for multilingual employees who perform multilingual services, excluding regular annual salary expenditures.	\$8,400.00
2. Telephonic interpretation services provided by vendors.	\$3.02
3. Document translation services provided by vendors.	\$8,830.69
4. On-site language interpretation services provided by vendors.	\$2,488.40
5. Other costs associated with providing language access services (e.g., grants, special programs, other.)	\$0.00
6. Total Language Services Budget (add columns 1-5)	\$19,722.11

18 b. Department's Total Operating Budget

\$367,690,818.00

19. Projected Language Services Budget in FY 2020-2021

What is your total projected budget to support progressive implementation of your Department's language service plan in FY 2020-2021 ?

See Guidance, Section V (b)

TOTAL	\$20,000
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Description (Optional)

SHS plans to spend \$20,000 on language access services in FY20-21 but will allocate additional resources if it is needed.
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