

**Priority:** Accountability  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating  
**Related Programs:**

**Lead Agency:** Commission on  
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**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

The Commission on Children, Families and Community engages the community in community in planning, policy advice and activities to improve conditions for children, youth, families and people living on a low-income. CCFC accomplishes this through leveraging new resources, connecting community members to existing resources, and linking systems of support; thus decreasing the price of government.

**Program Description**

Six volunteer committees engage in community planning, provide policy advice, develop additional community engagement and funding partners, manage resources, and research and promote best practices. The Multnomah Youth Commission (MYC) and Youth Innovation Fund (YIF), committees of the CCFC, engage youth in the work and decisions of the County. CCFC supports a citizen committee for three of the County's policy frameworks (Early Childhood, School Age Policy and Poverty Elimination). Each committee works to educate citizens about the resources available and leverage new resources to enhance current county efforts or meet existing service gaps.

**Program Justification**

- CCFC increases citizens' trust and confidence in government and satisfaction with service quality, effectiveness and price by engaging them in the creation of the county's broad visions and goals (our volunteers helped lead the development of the county's Early Childhood, School Age Policy, and Poverty Elimination frameworks).
- The CCFC works with volunteers and explains how the County works, the results it strives to achieve, and works with adults and youth to determine the best path to reach those results. This access to County process leads to citizen confidence that County is headed in the right direction and also receptive to their input.
- Through brokering and leveraging resources, convening community partners, seeking additional funding opportunities, and increasing citizens' access to resources the CCFC helps reduce the price of government and put resources in the hands of youth and families. In the current fiscal year, we leveraged over \$300,000.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY04-05)	Current Year Purchased (FY05-06)	Current Year Estimate (FY05-06)	Next Year Offer (FY06-07)
Output	Number of Citizens Engaged in County Government	2,034	1,000	2,000	1,600
Outcome	Additional resources leveraged in dollars	432,589	150,000	300,000	250,000
Output	Hours of citizen engagement training received by county	75	75	40	30

**Performance Measure - Description**

- We previously reported the total number of citizens engaged, based on outcome team feedback this now represents only those citizens we engage intensively.
- Cost increases forced us to reduce staff to only those required by funding mandates or connected to one of our four priority program areas. The elimination of our communications position severely decreases our output but was the only position available to cut. We will do few large events & use fewer web-based engagement tools.
- CCFC leverages new resources through developing grant applications (we wrote a successful grant for the library's early words program), soliciting community donations (Umpqua Bank helped sponsor expansion of the summer food program outreach in Multnomah County, Verizon helped underwrite Child Abuse Prevention Month activities), and hosting events that generate revenue (Child, Youth & Family Forum generated \$5,000.00).

## Legal/Contractual Obligation

In 1993, HB 2004 - Child Care Team Legislation - created the Oregon Commission on Children and Families. Local Boards of County Commissioners were charged with creating a local Commission on Children and Families.

In 1998, through Ordinance No. 921, the Board of County Commissioners created the Commission on Children, Families and Community, which joined the Commission on Children and Families with the Community Action Agency Board (specified through Oregon Revised Statutes) to form the Commission on Children, Families and Community.

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
<b>Program Expenses</b>	2006	2006	2007	2007
Personnel	\$0	\$249,162	\$0	\$322,748
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,500
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$22,955	\$0	\$21,617
Internal Services	\$0	\$32,758	\$0	\$35,789
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$304,875</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$389,654</b>
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$224,408
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$224,408</b>
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$304,875</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$614,062</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$304,875</b>		<b>\$614,062</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.12
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$271,024	\$0	\$384,654
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$33,851	\$0	\$5,000
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$224,408
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$304,875</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$614,062</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

Grant funding from the State of Oregon Commission on Children & Families, the federal Community Services Block Grant, State of Oregon Community Safety Net, and the W.K. Kellogg Foundation supports this program. Grant funds are estimated based on the FY 2007 appropriation.

## Significant Program Changes

**Last year this program was:** #10015A, CCFC Activities

The CCFC reduced 1.5FTE due to reduced funding and increased costs including its Communications and Community Engagement Coordinator position and .5FTE program staff. All remaining staff are linked directly to mandated functions or one of our 4 strategic program areas. Total staff capacity would be reduced to 4 FTE (not including 2 FTE administrative staff).