

Priority: Education
Program Offer Type: New Program
Related Programs: 10026
Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Lead Agency: Non-Departmental - All
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Executive Summary

A 100 million dollar revenue hole exists in the 8 school districts within Multnomah County for fiscal year 06-07, due to the ending of the Multnomah County I-TAX. This program offer accounts for the transfer of One time Only revenue to Multnomah County school districts. Multnomah County school districts and one state sanctioned charter school would share \$5 million with a distribution formula to be fair and equitable. It is anticipated that the funding distribution will be admw which is the current state funding formula. (average daily membership weighted)

Program Description

Five Million dollars would be combined with other community resources and the I-TAX carryover for fiscal year 06-07. The key community partners are city of Portland, Multnomah County, the Business Community, each school district, and the community at large. The purpose of one time only monies is to assist the school districts in the glide path with the ending of the Multnomah County Income tax. If each of the community's key stakeholders contribute to the glide path, then the community can be united going into the next legislative session with a common agenda on school funding. The community wants a legislative statewide solution to the funding of public schools.

Program Justification

A community is known by the schools it keeps. Students, parents, educators, and community partners (such as but not limited to Multnomah County) must align around a common vision that all kids can succeed. Multnomah County residents have told us that education is its top priority.

This program offer links directly to the Education priority. Schools in Multnomah County face the prospect of cutting several weeks from the academic year or reducing the number of direct instructional positions. This \$5 million provides a funding for all school districts within the county. The funding for schools has a number of goals which relate directly to the Education strategy map. The key goal includes improvement in academic success for all students.

The county school districts have been very focused on academic achievement. In most cases their academic achievement growth is moving in the right direction for all students. With additional support the county and the other community stakeholders can continue to assist the schools in this area by minimizing the barriers to student success such as lowering class sizes and providing a longer school year.

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	# of teachers saved with 5 million dollars	0	0	0	65
Outcome	% of Multnomah County students meeting state benchmarks in 3rd grade reading	0%	0%	0%	82%
Outcome	% of Multnomah County students meeting state benchmarks in 3rd grade math	0%	0%	0%	81%

Performance Measure - Description

All Multnomah County school districts will measure the percentage of students meeting state benchmarks in math and reading as compared to statewide averages and school district growth over time. Multnomah County schools will close the gap on statewide benchmarks in math and reading in third grade. At this time the average benchmark scores of Multnomah County schools is between 0% and 3% points behind the statewide average in math and reading at all grade levels. The demographics within Multnomah County schools are changing yearly and the poverty rates are higher than the statewide average.

Example on closing the gap on state benchmark scores: 78% of the Multnomah County students are meeting 3rd grade math benchmark as compared to 81% of the students statewide. 79% of the Multnomah County students are meeting 3rd grade reading benchmarks as compared to 82% of the students statewide.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

None

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2006	2006	2007	2007
Program Expenses				
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$0
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$5,000,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

This program offer is funded by county general fund one time only revenues.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was:

No changes.