

Priority: Accountability
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Lead Agency: Commission on
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Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Commission on Children, Families and Community (CCFC) develops and implements strategies to improve outcomes for children, youth and families, and for poverty reduction. In FY'08, CCFC will focus on increasing family economic security in order to reduce children and youth poverty, and on creating the six-year Community Plan for children, youth and families.

Program Description

The CCFC is concentrating staffing efforts in two areas:

- 1) Increasing families' economic security to reduce child/youth poverty by developing and implementing strategies to increase the number of economically secure families.
- 2) Developing the six-year Community Plan for children, youth and families. Planning starts by utilizing Progress Board data to identify the outcomes where improvement is needed. Three to five outcomes are selected for creating shared strategies among community stakeholders. Planning is coordinated with County leadership, the CCFC volunteer board and community stakeholders.

Other CCFC efforts include:

- (a) Positive youth development is through the Multnomah Youth Commission (MYC), which is composed of 35 diverse youth. MYC is going to operate under a new governance model. The City of Portland's Planning Bureau will be sharing MYC staffing. The Children/Youth Bill of Rights, adopted by the City in 2006, is the template for the City's efforts to engage youth.
- (b) The CCFC covers the continuum of children and youth 0-18 years and their families. The CCFC promotes prevention, strengths-based and effective services, and involvement of those impacted.
- (c) Staffing is state-mandated for Early Childhood Council & Healthy Start Advisory Committee. The CCFC is active in child maltreatment prevention activities and funding.

Program Justification

The CCFC Community Engagement, Planning and Convening work fits with the Accountability Priority in the following ways:

- a) Providing opportunities for the community to participate in and understand how County government works, through the CCFC Board, committees, action teams and advisory groups. Staff and volunteers also serve on a variety of other community organizations and provide a liaison role for communicating county information and processes.
- b) Providing opportunities for interaction between community members, County staff and County leadership, on issues of children, youth, families and people living on a low-income. These interactions increase knowledge of how County government works, including the budget process. The CCFC committees participate in developing shared goals and visions in partnership with County staff, County leadership and the CCFC volunteer Board.
- c) In 2005, an alarming one-fourth of children in the County were in poverty. Poverty brings with it family pressures, which can impact school readiness, HS completion, teen pregnancy and other negative outcomes for children and youth.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY05-06)	Current Year Purchased (FY06-07)	Current Year Estimate (FY06-07)	Next Year Offer (FY07-08)
Output	Volunteer hours leveraged	15,000	15,000	7,000	15,000
Outcome	Community Partners survey - approval level	0.0%	0.0%	80.0%	80.0%
Output	Leveraged dollars	300,000	250,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Outcome	Number of Citizens Engaged in County Government	3,000	1,600	900	4,000

Performance Measure - Description

- * Volunteer hours are tracked and reported to OCCF.
- * Community Partners' survey - rating on: communication, community planning, policy advice development, input opportunity and effectiveness of efforts.
- * Community Plan participants - Among those on the suggested listing of participants (from Oregon Commission on Children and Families), a total of 75% were engaged in the local planning process.
- * No. of Citizens Engaged - includes those attending events and also volunteers

Legal/Contractual Obligation

The Community Action Board is a federal designation (as specified by Oregon Revised Statutes), dating from 1964.

The Commission on Children and Families system (a state agency with local commissions) was created by HB 2004, through Children's Care Team legislation, in 1993. The HB 2004 required each County, through its Board of County Commissioners, to create a local children and families commission.

In 1998, through Ordinance No. 921, the Board of County Commissioners joined the two entities together, and created the Multnomah County Commission on Children, Families and Community, to provide a coordinated focus on children, youth and families, with anti-poverty efforts.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2007	2007	2008	2008
Personnel	\$0	\$296,800	\$0	\$342,481
Contracts	\$0	\$9,540	\$0	\$74,330
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$19,609	\$0	\$33,986
Internal Services	\$0	\$31,317	\$0	\$60,267
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$0	\$357,266	\$0	\$511,064
Administration	\$0	\$169,910	\$0	\$136,935
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$169,910	\$0	\$136,935
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$527,176	\$0	\$647,999
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Program FTE	0.00	3.12	0.00	3.20
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$352,224	\$0	\$505,064
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$5,000	\$0	\$6,000
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$357,224	\$0	\$511,064

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #10009A, CCFC Community Engagement