

**Priority:** Basic Needs  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating  
**Related Programs:**

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

**Executive Summary**

The Multnomah County Commission on Children, Families and Community (CCFC) allocates and manages resources received from the Oregon Commission on Children and Families (OCCF) to provide prevention and support services for children from birth to age 18. The CCFC is responsible for promoting policies and practices that support the well-being of all children, youth and families, and to increase the economic security of low income people.

**Program Description**

This program funds a variety of services:

- The Child Care Resource Team, located at the Child Care Resource and Referral agency, provides home & center providers with business and child development resources.
- The OCCF, Department of Human Services, and Casey Family Programs are collaborating to safely reduce the number of children in foster care. The CCFC, along with seven other counties, are participating in a process of developing community based action plans and strategies.
- The CCFC funds EDG:E (Educate, Dream, Give: Empower) in partnership with Portland State University. This program works with Marshall and Jefferson High Schools and their feeder schools. The goal is to increase service-learning opportunities, and engage high school students in mentoring and college access opportunities.
- Middle level education planning efforts target transitions into and out of middle grades with the goal of increasing supports and system integrations. These efforts focus on academic achievement, behavioral referrals and attendance with attention to achievement gaps, access and disproportionality.

**Program Justification**

- Achievement gaps in kindergarten readiness appear to set the stage for achievement gaps later. The components of this offer enhance the quality of educational and social experiences of children in childcare. The Resource Team is a proven provider of many services, but the technical assistance alone impacts 4,590 children.
- Foster care placement in Oregon is one of the highest in the nation. National research shows if children can be safe at home with their family or safe with another permanent placement option, these children will have better futures. This program aims to safely reduce the number of children in foster care.
- The EDG:E program is based on research demonstrating that mentoring and the increased use of service-learning are effective strategies for improving student success.
- Research shows that readiness to learn, attachment to school and supports to maintain engagement tie closely to success in benchmark measurement and school completion. Program development within middle level planning focuses on education equity, family and community supports, and youth voice.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY07-08)	Current Year Purchased (FY08-09)	Current Year Estimate (FY08-09)	Next Year Offer (FY09-10)
Output	Childcare Resource Team: 120 on-site business and EC training/tech asst.	138	120	120	120
Outcome	EDG:E: K-8, & High school students participate in service learning activities	250	240	240	240

**Performance Measure - Description**

The on-site technical assistance is an indicator of the depth and breadth of support for childcare providers. Additional measures will be established for other child care quality expenditures as part of the current planning process.

## Legal/Contractual Obligation

The Community Action Board is a federal designation, per ORS, dating from 1964. The Commission on Children and Families system was created in 1993 (HB 2004). It requires that each County, through its Board of County Commissioners, create a local children and families commission. In 1998, through Ordinance No. 921, the Board of County Commissioners joined the two, creating the Commission on Children, Families and Community. In 1999, SB 555 expanded the responsibilities of local children and families commissions (LCCF), including leading development and implementation of a coordinated comprehensive plan.

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2009	2009	2010	2010
<b>Program Expenses</b>				
Personnel	\$0	\$17,606	\$0	\$0
Contracts	\$0	\$378,406	\$0	\$928,295
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$396,012</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$928,295</b>
Administration	\$0	\$100,577	\$0	\$106,323
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$100,577</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$106,323</b>
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$496,589</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,034,618</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$496,589</b>		<b>\$1,034,618</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$396,012	\$0	\$928,295
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$100,577	\$0	\$106,323
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$496,589</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,034,618</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

Funds are federal and state dollars allocated to the local level by the Oregon Commission on Children and Families. Childcare dollars are Federal Child Care Development Funds. Use of CCDF funds is for childcare quality activities as identified in 45 CFR Parts 98 and 99, Oregon's Child Care and Development Fund Plan and by the Oregon Childhood Care and Education Coordinating Council. The Federal Safe and Stable Families Act support Family Preservation and Support funds. EDG:E is funded by Federal Safe and Drug Free Schools dollars. Relief Nurseries are funded by state and federal dollars.

## Significant Program Changes

### Last year this program was:

All contracts for services provided by the CCFC are being presented in one program offer. Child Care Development funded services were in Program Offer 10030 (FY09). Family Preservation and Support funded services were in Program Offer 10010 (FY09). These funds are part of a current planning process and services will change in FY10. Youth Investment funds were funding gang prevention services through the Department of County Human Services and are being planned to support middle school transitions. Funds for Relief Nurseries were previously in the Health Department's budget.