

**Priority:** Basic Needs

**Lead Agency:** Health Department

**Program Offer Type:** Support

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**Related Programs:**

**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

Supports community environmental health programs that reduce health disparities exacerbated by negative and disparate exposure to environmental, social and economic factors. Programs work to improve health by addressing issues related to environmental health, housing and the built environment. Strategies include assessment, education/ outreach, intervention, information/ referral, policy development, community organizing, and capacity building. Program focus areas include healthy home issues such as mold, household toxins, vectors and lead paint; environmental pollutants and toxins; emerging diseases; and reducing the environmental impacts of global warming.

**Program Description**

Healthy Home Priorities: 1) Sustain and integrate the Healthy Homes childhood asthma case management approach into MCHD clinics; 2) Building capacity for community programs and policy work that decrease health disparities associated with health and housing; 3) Develop demonstration projects that create partnerships between landlords and tenants; 4) Expand MCEH Environmental Education programs that address environmental toxins and pollutants negatively impacting health; and 5) Continue collaboration with the Health Equity Initiative to ensure a coordinated approach to the overall goals of reducing health disparities. Environmental Education Priorities: 1) Conduct community-based training and outreach related to health and housing topics (mold, Indoor Air Quality & toxins; 2) Collaborate to integrate environmental health risk reduction with other MCHD initiatives (i.e., Health Equity Initiative); and 3) Support core environmental health functions education and outreach related to West Nile Virus, Food borne Illness, and other emerging issues like environmental and health impacts of climate change. Leveraging Resources Priorities: 1) Ensure successful implementation of existing grant resources including CDC, FDA, and Portland Water Bureau grants; 2) Apply for grants to expand services and service delivery to leverage resources to offset limited general funds; 3) Provide leadership and infrastructure support for the Healthy Homes Community Coalition and build capacity of community partners working on environmental/healthy homes initiatives.

**Program Justification**

The program supports the basic needs of the community through disease prevention. It addresses a root cause of health disparities, by improving the health of the home environment. These efforts bridge gaps identified by the community as under-resources public health issues (indoor air quality, affordable housing, mold). The program is focused on Healthy Home principles and policy development. Policy change examples include the City of Portland and Gresham Housing codes incorporating Healthy Home principles based on our leadership, advocacy and public health expertise. The program also addresses County residents' needs for education and outreach related to West Nile virus prevention, food-borne illness prevention and other emerging and climate change-related environmental risks. Specifically works with vulnerable children with asthma to improve their quality of life and lowering the economic burden of children by averting emergency room visits and hospitalization through prevention.

**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	Number of advisory committee meetings facilitated	19	22	18	18
Outcome	Emergency department and hospitalization costs averted	0	0	102,374	130,925
Output	Number of educational interventions developed	98	92	94	92
Outcome	Additional grant dollars leveraged	584,085	634,000	714,000	720,000

**Performance Measure - Description**

1) Output: Measures community engagement in advisory capacity for programs. Combined two groups which lowered estimate of meetings but improved efficiency. 2) Output: Reflects presentations that improve environmental health awareness, skills, and behaviors through community partners, workshops and public outreach. 3) Outcome: Changed from last offer because Care Oregon ER cost savings data is now available which better reflects necessity of program. 4) Outcome: Includes total sum of external dollars leveraged by MCEH and providing technical assistance to partners to leverage grants.

## Legal/Contractual Obligation

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2009	2009	2010	2010
Personnel	\$230,898	\$344,225	\$232,382	\$143,029
Contracts	\$0	\$1,000	\$6,600	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$30,751	\$8,949	\$18,647	\$8,557
Internal Services	\$9,047	\$55,982	\$21,181	\$21,414
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	<b>\$270,696</b>	<b>\$410,156</b>	<b>\$278,810</b>	<b>\$173,000</b>
Administration	\$9,771	\$0	\$7,592	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	<b>\$9,771</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$7,592</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$280,467</b>	<b>\$410,156</b>	<b>\$286,402</b>	<b>\$173,000</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$690,623</b>		<b>\$459,402</b>	
Program FTE	2.93	3.56	2.45	1.40
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$23,844	\$0	\$10,489	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$410,156	\$0	\$173,000
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$23,844</b>	<b>\$410,156</b>	<b>\$10,489</b>	<b>\$173,000</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

This program is only funded for half a year. Additional resources will need to be secured for it to continue beyond December 2009.

## Significant Program Changes

**Last year this program was:** #40037, Community Environmental Health

A HUD-funded asthma demonstration project has ended leading to a reduction in revenues. Replacement funding will include Medicaid reimbursement revenues and the pursuit of additional grant funding.