

Lead Agency: County Management

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target, Climate Action Plan

Executive Summary

The General Ledger (GL) program manages central financial accounting and reporting, including the annual external financial audit, audit of the County's expenditures of Federal awards, Federal cost allocation plan, contract fiscal compliance over grants as well as general accounting support and assistance countywide.

Program Description

The GL program supports and monitors the County's financial accounting activity by performing corporate level accounting functions, including account reconciliations, review / approval of accounting transactions and preparing required financial reports. The primary product is the County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), which includes all activities associated with the required annual external financial audits. The CAFR earns the Government Finance Officer's Association (GFOA) award annually for excellence in financial reporting. This award indicates management has prepared financials meeting the reporting standards and requirements noted by GFOA. Approximately 3% of government entities in the US receive this award annually.

The program's fiscal compliance (FC) unit performs site reviews and financial statement analyses on County human service contracts in order to maintain compliance with Federal, State and County laws and regulations and to provide fiscal oversight of contracted programs. GL also prepares the County's cost allocation plans needed to recover central and departmental overhead and administrative indirect costs from external revenue sources. Maintaining internal controls and the chart of accounts are also performed by GL.

Climate Action Plan (18-8) - electronic financial statement reporting for the CAFR on the MINT and internet supports Countywide initiatives for paper/waste reduction.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY09-10)	Current Year Purchased (FY10-11)	Current Year Estimate (FY10-11)	Next Year Offer (FY11-12)
Output	# of properly stated balance sheet accounts per review of external auditors	283	283	295	295
Outcome	% of properly stated balance sheet accounts per review of external auditors	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Outcome	% of total pass-through dollars actively monitored by Fiscal Compliance	67.0%	65.0%	65.0%	70.0%
Outcome	% of external auditor recommendations successfully implemented in a fiscal year	82.0%	75.0%	60.0%	65.0%

Performance Measure - Description

Output: In the County's external financial audit, the auditors will analyze and audit our general ledger accounts. Fewer general ledger accounts identified with misstatements will indicate a high degree of accuracy in the financial statements.
Outcome: In the annual external audit, the auditors review and analyze the general ledger. A higher % of accurately stated accounts indicates fewer misstatements in the CAFR.
Outcome: FC unit performs financial monitoring of County funded human service (HS) providers. Monitoring includes Federal, State, County and other funds recorded in the pass-through/program support GL account. A higher percentage monitored indicates greater coverage which results in a decrease in County financial risk as it relates to HS providers.
Outcome: In the County's external financial audit, the auditors provide recommendations to management on noted areas of improvement. A high percent of auditor recommendations successfully addressed indicates a greater degree of internal control and management review over the County's financial data.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Oregon Revised Statutes(ORS), Ch. 297~Audits of Public Funds and Financial Records requires governments to have an external audit and submitted to the Secretary of State - Audits Division. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB)Circular A-133 (Audits of States, Local Governments & Non-Profit Organizations) requires entities expending Federal funds over \$500,000 in a fiscal year to have a single audit of Federal awards. Also per A-133, Federal funds that are passed on to other organizations (such as non-profits) must perform subrecipient monitoring on those contracts funded with pass-through dollars. OMB A-87 (Cost Principles for State, Local & Indian Tribal Governments) requires organizations to publish an approved indirect cost allocation plan for any indirect or administrative costs allocated to Federal awards.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2011	2011	2012	2012
Personnel	\$925,158	\$0	\$943,763	\$0
Contracts	\$1,100	\$0	\$1,100	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$24,100	\$0	\$24,922	\$0
Internal Services	\$121,204	\$0	\$135,745	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,071,562	\$0	\$1,105,530	\$0
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Program FTE	9.78	0.00	9.78	0.00
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$14,842	\$0	\$15,542	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$14,842	\$0	\$15,542	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

This program is supported by General Fund revenues.

External revenue is received from Service Districts (Dunthorpe-Riverdale and Mid County Street Lighting) as reimbursement for accounting services provided to them.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #72009, FRM - General Ledger