

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners  
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100  
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, Oregon  
Tuesday, March 19, 2013**

**BOARD BRIEFING**

Vice-Chair Judy Shiprack called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. with Commissioners Deborah Kafoury and Diane McKeel present. Chair Jeff Cogen and Commissioner Loretta Smith were excused.

Also attending were Jenny M. Morf, County Attorney, and Lynda Grow, Board Clerk.

**[THE FOLLOWING TEXT IS THE BYPRODUCT OF THE CLOSED CAPTIONING OF THIS PROGRAM.]**

Vice-Chair Shiprack: COMMISSIONER MCKEEL?

Commissioner McKeel: THANK YOU. WELCOME TO YOU. WE'RE GLAD TO HAVE YOU HERE. THIS BOARD HAS REPEATEDLY SHOWN OUR COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE WORK THAT THEY DO. THE FAITH COMMUNITY IS A BIG PART OF THE SUPPORT SYSTEM WE ALL RELY ON TO KEEP PEOPLE WELL. HISTORICALLY WE HAVE ALWAYS NOT DONE ALWAYS A GREAT JOB OF RECOGNIZING THOSE PARTNERSHIPS OR BEING INTENTIONAL ABOUT HOW WE WORK TOGETHER TO BE MORE EFFECTIVE. SO OVER THE LAST YEAR BARBARA WILLER AND RAFFAELE TIMARCHI -- AM I SAYING THAT RIGHT?

Mr. Timarchi: THAT'S PRETTY GOOD.

>> THEN IT'S NOT RIGHT THEN. HOW DO YOU SAY IT?

Mr. Timarchi: WELL, MY FAMILY IS ITALIAN. BUT YOU CAN JUST SAY RAFFAELE TIMARCHI.

Commissioner McKeel: OKAY. HAVE BEEN LEADING THE COUNTIES IN THEIR FAITH INITIATIVE AND ARE HERE TO PROVIDE AN OVERVIEW OF THE INITIATIVE'S WORK. INCLUDING HUMAN GEOGRAPHY AND DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS. I KNOW THIS WAS AN IMPORTANT INITIATIVE OF BARBARA'S WHEN SHE WAS SERVED ON OUR COMMISSION AND WE'RE SO HAPPY TO HAVE YOU HERE IN OUR COUNTY. I AM FREQUENTLY ASKED WHEN I GO OUT TO SPEAK ON ISSUES THAT I WORK ON IF WE HAVE THE FAITH-BASED COMMUNITY ENGAGED AND THEY HAVE BEEN HUGE PARTNERS IN HELPING WITH A LOT OF OUR EFFORTS. SO LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR PRESENTATION. GO AHEAD.

Ms. Willer: OKAY. THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, COMMISSIONERS. I'M BARBARA

WILLER, INTERFAITH COORDINATOR. COMMISSIONER McKEEL, THANKS FOR GIVING US AN OPPORTUNITY -- I'M GOING TO SPEND A FEW MINUTES UPDATING WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING, THEN THE MAJORITY OF THE PRESENTATION RAFFAELE WILL DO ON THE HUMAN GEOGRAPHY AND DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS. THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT BEFORE. I'M KIND OF REALLY JUMPING IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS. YOU HAVE BEEN BRIEFED. I IRAN TO TALK ABOUT WHAT THE CURRENT PARTNERSHIPS IN TERMS OF THE FOCUS IT'S BEEN THESE FOUR AREAS OF SOCIAL JUSTICE, PEACE AND NONVIOLENCE, STEWARDSHIP AND SUSTAINABILITY AND PLURAL IMWHICH COVERS MOST OF THE WORK OF THE COUNTY. AS COMMISSIONER McKEEL SAID IT REALLY IS ABOUT PARTNERSHIPS. IT'S ABOUT OUR ABILITY TO BUILD ON THE CURRENT PARTNERSHIPS THAT COUNTY STAFF HAS OR EXPAND AND THE PRIMARY THING WE HAVE BEEN DOING, THE WORK, IS TO SUPPORT COUNTY STAFF. WE HAVE BECOME AN INTERNAL RESOURCE IN HOW TO REACH OUT TO THE FAITH COMMUNITY OR BUILD ON WHAT THEY HAVE. IN THE LAST YEAR THIS HAS BEEN WHERE COUNTY STAFF -- THESE ISSUES ARE WHERE COUNTY STAFF ARE VERY ENGAGED IN PARTNERSHIPS. WE CANNOT CLAIM WE SET UP ALL THOSE PARTNERSHIPS BUT THIS IS WHERE THE COUNTY IS VERY ENGAGED. I WON'T GO THREE EACH ONE. I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. I THINK YOU'RE PROBABLY AWARE OF THOSE PARTNERSHIPS ON EACH OF THOSE. WE HAVE THOSE IN THE HOMELESS FAMILIES, HUNGER RELIEF, SUN PROGRAM -- THAT'S AN INTERESTING ONE WHERE A GROUP OF METHODIST PASTORS WANTED TO DO SOMETHING FOR CHILDREN, SO THE SUN PROGRAM WORKED WITH THEM TO GET CONNECTED TO SCHOOLS AND THEY ARE DOING SOME GREAT SUPPORT OUT IN EAST MID COUNTY, EAST COUNTY, PARK ROSE MID COUNTY AREA. ALSO HAVE A LOT OF PARTNERSHIPS IN -- WELL, SENIORS BUT IN THESE AREAS. AGAIN, FOR INSTANCE YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION IT WAS PASTORS WHO STEPPED INTO THAT. WE PARTNERED WITH THEM, WE, THE COUNTY, OBVIOUSLY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAD CHAPLAINS IN JAILS FOR A LONG TIME. THERE'S A LOT OF GREAT PARTNERSHIPS GOING ON. WE TRY TO BUILD ON WHAT'S THERE, EXPAND IT AND SUPPORT COUNTY STAFF. IN 2013, WE'RE EXPANDING MORE AND SO WE HAVE STARTED AN ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER TO SEND OUT TO PEOPLE IN THE FAITH COMMUNITY, OPPORTUNITIES FOR THEM TO ENGAGE SUCH AS WHEN THE YOUTH COMMISSION HAD THEIR EVENT LAST WEEKEND, GET THAT OUT TO FAITH CONGREGATIONS TO SEE IF THEY HAVE YOUTH THAT WANT TO JOIN. SOME OF THE FOOD WORK THAT'S BEEN GOING ON. WHENEVER WE SEE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PARTNERSHIP WE THINK THE FAITH COMMUNITY MIGHT BE INTERESTED, THAT'S WHAT WE DO. IT'S INTERESTING TO GET THOSE CALLS COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO I GOT A CALL FROM A METHODIST CONGREGATION WHO HAS BEEN VERY ACTIVE IN OUR HOMELESS FAMILY SERVICES BUT THEY HAVE PEOPLE WHO WANT TO DO MORE AND CONNECT. I MET WITH THEM AND WENT THROUGH ALL THE OPTIONS THEY COULD PARTNER WITH US. THERE WERE 20 PEOPLE THERE, SO I'M GOING TO START WORKING WITH THEM. IT'S THOSE KINDS OF CALLS WHERE COMMUNITIES WANT TO ENGAGE BUT ARE NOT SURE WHERE THEY

CAN ENGAGE IN. SOMETIMES I DON'T -- THEY DON'T KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE COUNTY. SOME EDUCATION JUST AROUND WHAT LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS DOING.

>>> TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT WE HEARD REALLY SINCE 2010, A GOOD EXAMPLE OF THAT WHEN I MET WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH FOLKS AT THE COUNTY THERE'S SOMETHING CALLED MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID. IT'S A WAY TO TRAIN LAYPEOPLE ON HOW TO SUPPORT PEOPLE WHO ARE DEALING WITH MENTAL ILLNESS. I THINK THERE'S TRAINING LIKE THAT THAT WE COULD COORDINATE AND BRING INTO MORE CONGREGATIONS AND HELP EQUIP THEM FOR BOTH THEIR CONGREGATIONS AND THE COMMUNITY. THESE ARE SOME OF THE NEW ISSUES WE HAVE JUMPED INTO. COMMISSIONER McKEEL HAS INVITE NODE START WORKING WITH THE VETERANS. THERE WILL BE A NEW EFFORT COMING TO THE BOARD THIS THURSDAY, AND SENIORS. I'M WORKING WITH SENIOR STAFF, DCH, WITH THEIR NEW EMERGENCY PREPARED NECESSARY PERSON. STARTED WORKING ON SOME OFFENDER REENTRY PROGRAMS. THERE'S GOOD MODELS OUT THERE IN CANADA AND OTHER PLACES THAT WE COULD HELP REPLICATE TO CALL ON THE FAITH COMMUNITY TO SUPPORT PEOPLE IN REENTRY. ALL OF THIS IS ALREADY HAPPENING BUT IT'S ABOUT BUILDING ON AND WITH OUR ORGANIZATION. CLIMATE ACTION, RAFFAELE DID SOME WORK TO TRY TO GET SOMEBODY ON THE CLIMATE ACTION POLICY BOARD, THE FOOD JUSTICE. SOMETIMES IT'S JUST HELPING THE FAITH COMMUNITY GET ON OUR POLICY-MAKING BOARDS. AS I SAID, MENTAL HEALTH. COMMISSIONER McKEEL, MAYBE YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE SUMMIT WE'RE ORGANIZING. YOU WANT ME TO TALK ABOUT IT? OKAY. COMMISSIONER McKEEL WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THE GOOD WORK THAT COUNTY DOES IN EAST COUNTY AS WELL AS INVITE PEOPLE INTO PARTNERSHIPS, BOTH WITH US AND SOME OF OUR NONPROFIT PARTNERS, SO WE'RE HOLDING A SUMMIT ON APRIL 18th TO INVITE CONGREGATIONS IN EAST COUNTY, WE'LL HAVE A RESOURCE FAIR FOR PEOPLE TO LEARN ABOUT WHAT THE COUNTY DOES AND HOW THEY CAN PARTNER, WHICH I THINK WILL BE PRETTY EXCITING BECAUSE WE THINK PEOPLE KNOW ABOUT US AND WE THINK PEOPLE KNOW WHAT NUMBER TO CALL IF SOMEBODY HAS A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS, BUT THEY DON'T. SO THERE WILL BE SOME GOOD OPPORTUNITIES THERE FOR PEOPLE. AND THERE'S THE PROSPERITY SUMMIT WHICH HAPPENED A WEEK OR SO AGO AROUND POVERTY IN ROCKWOOD. I PARTICIPATE IN THAT. WILL HELP INVITE MORE FAITH COMMUNITIES INTO THAT. REALLY I JUST WANTED TO UPDATE YOU ON SOME ISSUE AREAS. THE REST OF THE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY SPECIFIC ONES.

>> LOOKING AT ALL THESE MAPS!

>> THE MORE INTERESTING PART IS RAFFAELE TIMARCHI, WHO I HAVE HAD THE PLEASURE OF WORKING WITH IN THE PAST YEAR OR SO, I'LL LET HIM DESCRIBE WHAT HE'S BEEN WORKING ON. TAKE IT AWAY.

>> SOUNDS GOOD. THANK YOU, COMMISSIONERS, EVERYBODY WHO CAME JUST TO HEAR ABOUT THE WORK WE HAVE BEEN DOING. I THINK BARBARA HAS COVERED A LOT OF IT BUT THERE ARE A FEW THINGS I WANT TO DO TO FRAME THIS CONVERSATION ABOUT THE INTERFAITH COMMUNITY. ONE IS THAT FAITH COMMUNITIES HAVE HISTORICALLY PROVIDED SHELTER FOR THE HOMELESS, FOOD, BUT MORE THEY ARE MOVING INTO SOCIAL SERVICES AND MORE TECHNICAL, CLINICAL, A LARGE PART OF WHAT THE INTERFAITH INITIATIVE HAS BEEN TRYING TO DO IS IDENTIFY WHERE THESE PEOPLE ARE AND TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INTO THE FOLLOWED OF WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE AT THE COUNTY. IN THE PAST YEAR IN CHANGE WE DEVELOPED A DATABASE. WE REACHED OUT TO ABOUT 1,000 DIFFERENT CONTACTS AND 637 HOUSES OF WORSHIP AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS. WE DON'T JUST TARGET CLERGY. WE RECOGNIZE A LOT OF THE WORK IS DONE BY PEOPLE WHO CANNOT BE ORDAINED. WOMEN OR PEOPLE WHO ARE VERY STRONG VOLUNTEERS. WE IDENTIFIED GRASS ROOTS LEADERSHIP AND REALLY TRIED TO BRING THEM INTO THE FOLLOWED. SHOW YOU THIS FIRST MAP. THE MAPS ARE A LITTLE OVERWHELMING AND THERE'S A TON OF INFORMATION, SO THIS IS SORT OF A FAST AND DIRTY OVERVIEW. FORGIVE ME IF THERE'S NOT ENOUGH DETAIL BUT CERTAINLY WE HAVE IT IF YOU WANT TO KNOW MORE. SOME OF THE GROUPS WHO ARE NOT SHOWN, I TOOK THE LARGEST, WE TOOK CHRISTIANITY LARGE SWATH, JUDAISM, ISLAM, BUDDHISM. THE CATHOLICS ARE THE LARGEST SINGLE DENOMINATION ACTUALLY IN THE STATE OF OREGON BUT ALSO IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. WHO YOU DON'T SEE HERE IS NATIVE AMERICAN GROUPS IN WHICH MANY CEREMONIES ARE DONE PRIVATELY BUT A LOT OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES DRAW ON CULTURAL AND SPIRITUAL BACKGROUNDS, PARTICULARLY AT NARA, TO SOME EXTENT NAYA. THIS MAP IS SORT OF HOUSES OF WORSHIP. THREE OTHER GROUPS YOU DON'T SEE WOULD BE THE GROWING AFRICAN POPULATION, PARTICULARLY WEST AFRICAN AND EAST AFRICAN. THAT IS BECAUSE THEY SHARE SPACES WITH SOME OF THE ESTABLISHED CHURCHES SO IT'S BEEN HARDER FOR US TO REACH INTO THAT. WE HAVE A GOOD NETWORK OF PASTORS AND IMAMS IN THAT COMMUNITY, SO JUST KNOW THAT WE HAVE THOSE CONTACTS AS WELL. THEN THE SOUTH ASIAN AND MINORITY FAITH GROUPS, THERE ARE NO HOUSES OF WORSHIP IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. FOR EXAMPLE HINDU TEMPLES, VERY, VERY SMALL ONES. THE LARGE ONES ARE IN TIGARD AND BEAVERTON. THE LARGE CIRQUE GROUP, THEN SMALLER GROUPS, BAHAI, SPIRITUAL WRESTLERS ARE REALLY SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY BUT THEY WORSHIP OUTSIDE MULTNOMAH COUNTY IN PLACES LIKE WOODBURN. IF YOU TAKE A GLANCE AT THESE MAPS I WANT TO POINT SOME THINGS OUT. WE'LL START WITH THE ABRAHAMIC TRADITIONS. THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF JEWISH SYNAGOGUES ARE ON THE WEST SIDE. THERE'S TWO SMALLER GROUPS ON THE EAST SIDE, BUT REALLY THE SPIRITUAL CENTER OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY IS ON THE WEST SIDE, NORTHWEST AND SOUTHWEST. THERE ARE 16 CONGREGATIONS AND

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE JEWISH COMMUNITY AND THEY GENERALLY HAVE HIGH VOLUNTEER PERCENTAGES AND PRETTY CONSISTENT CONGREGATIONS THAT SHOW UP FOR SERVICES. ISLAM, WHICH I WILL GO TO THE SECOND, SKIPPING OVER CHRISTIANITY, ISLAM, THEY HAVE 11 CONGREGATIONS AND SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS, SEVEN IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. THE LARGEST BEING IN BEAVERTON. BEFORE I GET TO CHRISTIANITY I WANT TO SAY THAT ALSO BUDDHISM, THERE ARE 36 TEMPLES AND MEDITATION GROUPS. THEY ARE SORT OF DIVIDED, ABOUT HALF OF THEM ARE SOUTHEAST ASIAN AND EAST ASIAN, HALF ARE WESTERN BUT SORT OF DOMESTIC BUDDHISM. GOING TO SKIP, THIS IS SORT OF OVERWHELMING. I WOULD LIKE TO JUST LOOK AT THE DIVERSITY MAP. THESE ARE CLUSTERED. THE LARGEST DIVERSITY OF RELIGION IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY IS ACTUALLY IN THE SOUTHWEST, WHICH IS NOT THE MOTH ETHNICALLY DIVERSE PART. THERE YOU HAVE MOSQUES. YOU HAVE JEWISH CONGREGATIONS THAT RANGE FROM ORTHODOX TO REFORM. YOU ALSO HAVE CHRISTIAN, BUDDHIST, AND AS YOU GO FURTHER EAST YOU HAVE, AGAIN, LARGER CONGREGATIONS BUT LESS DIVERSITY WITHIN THEM. I'M NOT GOING TO SPEND TOO MUCH TIME ON THESE. ARE THERE QUESTIONS ABOUT THESE MAPS OR ANYTHING THAT STRIKES YOU?

>> WHAT IS THE NUMBER THAT -- IS THAT THE NUMBER --

>> CONGREGATIONS IN THAT AREA. YOU CAN SEE THE DENSITY IN THE NORTHWEST AND SOUTHWEST ARE MUCH HIGHER, BUT I THINK THAT'S A LITTLE MISLEADING. A LOT OF THOSE CONGREGATIONS ARE MUCH SMALLER. IF YOU LOOK UP IN NORTHEAST YOU HAVE LOTS OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHURCHES BUT THEY ARE SMALLER. 30 TO 50 FAMILY UNITS. AS YOU GET TO SOME OF THE LARGER CONGREGATIONS YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT 3,000, 4,000 FAMILY UNITS. WHICH IS ACTUALLY STAGGERING NUMBER. SO I WOULD LIKE TO BREAK THIS DOWN. SPECIFICALLY WITHIN CHRISTIANITY. THAT CAN BE AN OVERWHELMING TOPIC. WE DON'T REALLY TALK ABOUT RELIGION VERY MUCH. RELIGION IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE MORE POLARIZING ISSUES. THERE ARE PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO FEEL WOUNDED BY RELIGION AND STILL OTHERS WHO FEEL SAVED BY T. WHAT WE TRY TO DO IS FOCUS ON FAITH COMMUNITIES AS VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATIONS THAT DELIVER SOCIAL SERVICES THAT HELP ORGANIZE KINSHIP NETWORKS AND REALLY ADD TO THREE THINGS, ONE, KINSHIP NETWORKS PARTICULARLY FOR NEW IMMIGRANTS AND REFUGEES, TWO FOR SOCIAL SERVICE DELIVERY AND SUPPORT. THIRDLY AS A REAL OPPORTUNITY FOR PEOPLE TO MAINTAIN THEIR ETHNIC TIES. I'LL TRY TO EXPLAIN THAT AS WE PEEL BACK THE LAYERS. WITHIN CHRISTIANITY WE HAVE THREE MAJOR DIVISIONS. THERE'S CATHOLICISM, ORTHODOXY AND CATHOLICISM, THE SINGLE LARGEST DENOMINATION IN THE COUNTY. ORTHODOXY LARGELY COMES FROM THE EASTERN CHURCH, AND THOSE ARE SERVED BY SERBIAN, UKRAINIAN, GREEK, EGYPTIAN AS WELL AS THE ORTHODOX CHURCH OF AMERICA. PROTESTANTISM INCLUDES METHODIST, LUTHERAN, PRESBYTERIAN,

BAPTIST, DISCIPLE OF CHRIST. WITHIN THAT THERE'S SORT OF AN EMERGING RELIGIOUS CULTURE CALLED EVANGELICAL AND CHARISMATIC. EVANGELICAL COMES FROM A MISSIONARY AND LARGELY REFORM MOVEMENT. IT'S WHITE IN EAST COUNTY BUT MANY NEW IMMIGRANTS EXPOSED TO MISSIONARY GROUPS AND CERTAINLY REFUGEES ARE ALSO A PART OF THAT, SO IT'S AN EXPANDING CULTURE OFTEN TIMES CONSERVATIVE WHEN IT COMES TO SOCIAL VALUES BUT CERTAINLY VERY ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY. THEY IN A LOT OF WAYS A SLEEPING GIANT. IF WE COULD DEVELOP REALLY POLITICAL ACUMEN BUT ALSO VOLUNTEER NETWORKS WE DO A LOT OF GOOD TO THE COUNTY. A LOT OF WAYS IT ALREADY IS. THE OTHER SORT OF MOVEMENT IS THE CHARISMATIC CHURCH, SOMETHING WE SEE THAT CUTS ACROSS. IT'S NOT UNCOMMON TO SEE CHARISMATIC CATHOLICS FROM MEXICO, FOR EXAMPLE. THE CHARISMATIC CHURCH HAS TO DO WITH THIS AKIOSTATIC EXPRESSION OF RELIGION. WE SEE IT IN PENTECOSTAL, A LOT OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHURCHES, CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST. PENTECOSTAL, HAVE THE CONSERVATISM BUT ARE DIFFERENT FROM SOME OF THEIR BROTHERS IN THE OTHER PROTESTANT SECTS. AS WE LOOK HERE, THESE ARE THE CHRISTIAN CHURCHES IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY, YOU CAN SEE THE EVANGELICAL AND CHARISMATIC ARE BY FAR THE LARGEST FOLLOWED BY CATHOLIC MAIN LINE PROTESTANTS. I'LL LET YOU SOAK THAT IN. THE NEXT FEW SLIDES, MAPS, I WOULD LIKE TO PEEL BACK THE LAYERS AND MOVE BEYOND TRADITIONS AND START TO SEE REALLY LOOKING AT SPECIFIC COMMUNITIES AND HOW THE ROLE OF THESE INSTITUTIONS REALLY HOLDS THEM TOGETHER, HELPS TO DELIVER SERVICES. MAIN LINE PROTESTANT CHURCHES ARE INCREDIBLY ORGANIZED. ONE KEY THING IS THAT THEY DELIVER SERVICES, THEY HAVE VERY STRONG LOCAL AND NATIONAL NETWORKS. THEY ARE GENERALLY SPEAKING PROGRESSIVE WHEN IT COMES TO DELIVERING SERVICES AND BEING ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY. BARBARA ALREADY WENT OVER THIS BUT A LOT OF THE MAIN LINE CHURCHES ARE PART OF OUR SHELTER SYSTEM, ALMOST ALL ARE HUNGER RELIEF EFFORTS. MANY TAKE ON PET ADVOCACY PROJECTS WORKING ON ISSUES THAT LEND SUPPORT TO OTHER COMMUNITIES' NEEDS. AS WE LOOK AT THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES THEY ALSO ARE PERHAPS A LITTLE MORE INSULAR BUT MORE ETHNICALLY DIVERSE, THEY PARTICIPATE IN THE HUNGER RELIEF. THEY ARE HEAVILY INVOLVED IN REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT THROUGH CATHOLIC CHARITIES AND LARGELY WORK WITH NEW IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES, NOT JUST FOR SORT OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES BUT EVEN FOR SUPPORT SERVICES, SOCIAL SERVICES, RESETTLEMENT. QUESTIONS UP UNTIL THIS? I'M GOING TO PUSH THROUGH AND YOU CAN SEE THE ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCHES, FAR MORE INSULAR OR LESS INVOLVED IN THE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT WE DELIVER THROUGH THE COUNTY. BUT ARE ALMOST ALWAYS TIED TO SOME ETHNIC GROUP. IN HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY WE HAVE SERBIAN, UKRAINIAN, GREEK, COPTIC, WHICH IS LARGELY EGYPTIAN, AND THAI, AND THOSE COMMUNITIES HAVE A CULTURAL BENT TO THEIR SERVICES. THEY FUNCTION AS A WAY FOR THOSE COMMUNITIES TO PAINT TIES WITH

THEIR ETHNIC IDENTITY. THE GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH WOULD BE A GOOD ONE. WITHOUT THEM THEY WOULD LARGELY HAVE LOST THEIR ETHNIC DISTINCTIVENESS, SO THE ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN FESTIVALS, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT ARE PART SECULAR, PART RELIGIOUS BUT TO GO TO PLACES TO HEAR THE LANGUAGE, PARTICIPATE WITH PEOPLE FROM THE OLD COUNTRY AS WELL AS THIRD AND FOURTH GENERATIONS THAT THEM CARRIES THROUGH. WHEN WE LOOK AT THE EVANGELICAL AND CHARISMATIC CHURCHES IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY THERE ARE TONS OF THEM. PART OF THAT IS BECAUSE WE HAVE SIX EVANGELICAL COLLEGES HERE IN WHICH MANY OF THESE PASTORS ARE BEING TRAINED IN-HOUSE, STAYING IN-COUNTY TO DEVELOP THEIR OWN MINISTRIES. THERE'S AN INCREDIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH YOUNG PASTORS AND REVERENDS TO KEEP THEM UP TO SPEED AND GIVE THEM A POLITICAL LITERACY IN TERMS OF WHAT WE DO, WHAT THEY CAN DO WITH US AND WHERE THAT COMMON GROUND IS FOR US TO HELP ONE ANOTHER. NOW, I SET A COUPLE OF ETHNIC MAPS HERE BECAUSE I THINK THIS IDEA OF ETHNIC IDENTITY IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT. WE USE THIS WORD HEADER COLOQUISM, BUT THAT'S A WONKY WORD. 25 YEARS AGO PEOPLE LIVED IN THE SAME COMMUNITY, SENT THEIR KIDS TO SCHOOLS IN THE COMMUNITY, GENERALLY WORKED IN THAT SAME COMMUNITY BUT LARGELY THAT CHANGED. THERE'S BEEN CERTAINLY AN ORGAN,' SEE ETHNIC SUBURBS DEVELOPING, PARTICULARLY PEOPLE COMING FROM POST SOVIET COUNTRIES. ONE DRIVE TOWARDS HOMEOWNERSHIP, SOMETHING THEY WEREN'T GENERALLY ALLOWED TO DO IN THEIR HOME COUNTRY, AND TWO, PRACTICE OF RELIGION, SOMETHING ALSO THAT WAS NOT ALLOWED IN THEIR OLD COUNTRY. WE SEE LARGE POST SOVIET POPULATIONS IN WOOD VILLAGE, FAIRVIEW, ALSO GROWING IN PLACES LIKE HILLSBORO WITH A LARGE MEXICAN COMMUNITY. FURTHER OUT YOU HAVE ETHNIC SUBURBS. I SAY ALL THAT TO SAY THESE COMMUNITIES HERE, THESE ETHNIC FAITH COMMUNITIES, SERVE TO SORT OF RECONSTITUTE THE ETHNIC IDENTITY. PEOPLE COME BACK TO BE WITH PEOPLE THAT THEY ARE NOVEMBER LIVING WITH, NOT WORKING WITH TO STAY IN TOUCH WITH THE COMMUNITY THAT THEY IDENTIFY WITH. SO THERE IS A DIVERSITY COMPONENT TO THIS. WHATEVER YOU'RE ASKED TO LEAVE BEHIND WHEN YOU COME TO THIS COUNTRY GETS RECONSTITUTED IN THESE FAITH COMMUNITIES. REALLY EXEMPLIFY THIS POINT. ONE IS THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY, WHICH IS THE CHURCHES ARE LARGELY FOCUSED IN NORTHEAST. I THINK THAT SEEMS TO BE THE SPIRITUAL CENTER. BUT A LOT OF THAT COMMUNITY IN THE LAST 15, 20, 25 YEARS HAS BEEN MOVED OUT. THERE'S A GENERATIONAL DIVIDE BETWEEN SORT OF OLDER AFRICAN-AMERICANS WHO SEE THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHURCH OR BLACK CHURCH AS A PRIMARY VEHICLE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS, AS PART OF THEIR HERITAGE, SOMETHING INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT. YOU HAVE YOUNGER AFRICAN-AMERICANS WHO PARTICIPATE IN MUSIC, DANCE CLASSES, TO SOME EXTENT COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS BUT THEY ARE NOT LIVING IN THAT COMMUNITY ANY MORE. A LOT OF THESE CHURCHES HAVE RAISED MONEY TO BUS RESIDENTS FROM MID AND EAST COUNTY SO THEY CAN CONTINUE

TO ATTEND SERVICES BECAUSE THEY SEE IT AS A VITAL PART OF THEIR HERITAGE. I THINK THAT'S A POINT THAT SHOULDN'T BE LOST. PEOPLE ARE STILL GOING FOR A REASON THAT ISN'T NECESSARILY RELATED TO RELIGION PER SE BUT SOMETHING RELATED TO DIVERSITY. RELIGION AS A CATEGORY OF IDENTITY BUT ALSO A CULTURAL CONTAIN ARE FOR MANY PEOPLE. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO POINT OUT TO THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN COMMUNITY. YOU SEE THE SAME THINGS HAPPENING. IN THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN COMMUNITY THEY ARE MORE SYNCRETIC. IT'S NOT UNCOMMON TO SEE A VIETNAMESE FAMILY ATTEND CATHOLIC SERVICES BUT GO TO THE BUDDHIST TEMPLE FOR NEW YEAR. THIS IS TRUE IN OTHER COMMUNITIES. MANY MIGHT PARTICIPATE IN CHRISTIAN SERVICES BUT ALSO WHEN IT COMES TO THINGS LIKE FUNERALS OR ANNIVERSARIES OF PEOPLE'S DEATHS THEY WILL RETURN TO THE BUDDHIST COMMUNITY IN ORDER TO PAY HOMAGE TO THEIR FAMILIES. LINKING THAT TIE DESPITE THE FACT THEY MAY BE LIVING FURTHER OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTY OR MAYBE NOT EVEN IN THE COUNTY, TRAVELING IN FOR THE LARGER CELEBRATIONS. THE SLAVIC FAITH COMMUNITY IS ALSO INCREDIBLY INTERESTING. SLAVIC IS NOT A GREAT TERM BECAUSE IT REALLY REFERS TO PEOPLE WHO SPEAK SLAVIC LANGUAGES, SO THAT LEAVES OUT HUNGARIANANS, ROMANIANS, BUT THEY WOULD CERTAINLY FIT INTO THIS CATEGORY EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE NOT REPRESENTED HERE. THE SLAVIC FAITH COMMUNITY GENERALLY CAME IN THE '08s AS A CHAIN MIGRATION. SO MANY CAME BECAUSE OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM. MANY HAVE SPONSORED FAMILIES TO COME OVER ALMOST BRINGING VILLAGES OVER PIECE BY PIECE. SO WHILE THE LARGE, LARGE COMMUNITIES ARE DOWN SORT OF BELOW US IN PLACES LIKE WOODBURN, THERE'S A THRIVING SLAVIC EVANGELICAL COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY EAST COUNTY, FAIRVIEW AND TROUTDALE, THAT HAVE FOLLOWED UP ON THIS DRIVE FOR HOMEOWNERSHIP. THEY ARE MOVING INTO THE ETHNIC SUBURBS WHERE THEY HAVE THEIR OWN SERVICES, THEIR OWN STORES, BUT THEY RETURN TO CHUMP TO BE WITH THE COMMUNITY THEY IDENTIFY WITH. THE INTERESTING THING IS THAT MANY ARE NOT EVEN RELIGIOUS PER SE. SOME OF THEM BECAUSE THEY RESETTLED THROUGH THESE PROGRAMS, WENT FOR SERVICES TO START AND NOW MIGHT PARTICIPATE SIMPLY TO BE AROUND OTHER RUSSIAN SPEAKING OR UKRAINIAN, GEORGIAN, BELARUS PEOPLE. THE LAST IS THE LARGE LATINO FAITH COMMUNITY WHICH BLENDS THESE THINGS TOGETHER. LARGELY MEXICAN, LESSER EXTENT GUATEMALAN, ARE COMING FOR SERVICES, GENERALLY THROUGH PLACES LIKE CATHOLIC CHARITIES BUT ALSO AGAIN TO SORT OF RECONNECT WITH THEIR CULTURAL ROOTS TO BE A PART OF A LARGER COMMUNITY. WE CERTAINLY SEE THIS IN EAST COUNTY AND EVEN IN THE COMMUNITIES THAT TRAVEL IN FROM HILLSBORO ARE STILL COMING IN TO SEE PEOPLE THAT THEY SORT OF KNOW. THERE'S A CLEAR AND STRONG EVANGELICAL MOVEMENT WITHIN THE LATINO COMMUNITY BUT THAT'S NOT SEPARATE AND APART FROM, SAY, THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY. THESE PEOPLE LIVE TOGETHER, WORK TOGETHER BUT MAYBE ON SUNDAY GOSS TO DIFFERENT PLACES FOR CHURCH. SO HOPE YOU HAVE A FAST AND DIRTY OVERVIEW OF

THE LANDSCAPE. I'M HAPPY TO FLESH OUT ANY OF THE POINTS OR COMMUNITIES THAT'S HELPFUL. SO THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

>> THANK YOU. I LOVE THESE MAPS.

>> IT'S AMAZING TO VISUALIZE DATA SOMETIMES TO SEE WHERE PEOPLE ARE AND WHERE THEY ARE GOING. THIS PLACE IN PARTICULAR, MULTNOMAH COUNTY, IS A REEMERGING IMMIGRANT GATEWAY. AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY WE HAD LOTS OF PEOPLE COMING HERE, THEN THERE WAS A STILLNESS UNTIL ABOUT THE '70s WHEN WE STARTED TO HAVE LARGE REFUGEE GROUPS FROM VIETNAM. THEN WE HAD BIG RUSSIAN POPULATIONS. IN THE LAST 15 YEARS THE LATINO POPULATION -- THREE-QUARTERS OF THE LATINO POPULATION HAS ARRIVED IN THE LAST 15 YEARS SO YOU'RE SEEING ETHNIC EXPLOSIONS LARGELY HELD TOGETHER THROUGH RESETTLEMENT, SUPPORT SERVICES AND ETHNIC IDENTITIES IN THESE FAITH COMMUNITIES.

>> IT DOES STRIKE ME AS KIND OF A POWERFUL TOOL THAT HAS NOT BEEN MAYBE USED AS MUCH AS WE COULD THAT IT SEEMS TO ME IN A LOT OF RELIGIONS ALTHOUGH I HAVE TO PREFACE THIS AND SAY THAT THE TWO OF THE TOPICS, THERE WERE THREE, TWO OF THE TOPICS THAT MY MOTHER SAID NEVER TO DISCUSS IN COMPANY WERE RELIGION AND POLITICS.

>> YEP.

>> SO IT SEEMS TO ME THAT HAVING MORE PARTNERSHIPS BECAUSE BASICALLY THE MISSION OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY IN TERMS OF PROVIDING SAFETY NET FOR VULNERABLE PEOPLE AND THE MISSION AT LEAST I SUPPOSE SECULAR MISSION OF FAITH, IS TO TAKE CARE OF OTHER PEOPLE. I'M WAY OUT OF MY DEPTH HERE, WOULD BE -- WOULD CREATE SOME NATURAL PARTNERSHIPS. I THINK IT ALSO GENERATES AN INTERESTING SORT OF ZEN DIAGRAM OF CONVERSATIONS AMONGST TWO COMMUNITIES THAT IN GENERAL OVERLAP QUITE A BIT, MORE THAN WE TALK ABOUT. SO THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS.

>> ABSOLUTELY. JUST TO PIGGYBACK ON WHAT YOU'RE SAYING ACTION IT'S ONE OF THE MOST POLARIZING SUBJECTS. PEOPLE WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT ALL THE TIME OR DON'T WANT TO TALK ABOUT IT AS ALL. BUT AS WE LOOK CLOSER TO COMPETENT SERVICES IF WE COULD FIND PEOPLE AT HOME, SO TO SPEAK, HELP THEM DELIVER SERVICES THROUGH THESE FAITH COMMUNITIES, HAVE PEOPLE IN THE FAITH COMMUNITIES WHO ARE ABLE TO DELIVER SERVICES, ABLE TO UNDERSTAND THE CONTINUUM OF SERVICES THAT WE DELIVER, WE WOULD DO A GREAT SERVICE TO PEOPLE WHO OTHERWISE DISTRUST THE GOVERNMENT. I THINK EVEN IF WE GO TO NORTHEAST, AFRICAN-AMERICAN CHURCHES, WE SEE THEM NOW MOVING INTO AGAIN TECHNICAL SERVICES. RECOVERY AND SUPPORT GROUPS. WE

SEE D.V. GROUP, CSEC WORK IN EAST COUNTY. THEY ARE NOT JUST FEEDING THE POOR, THEY ARE DOING MORE. THE POINT IS THAT THEY CARE. RIGHT? IF WE CAN'T CAPITALIZE ON COMMUNITIES THAT CARE, WE'RE MISSING A HUGE OPPORTUNITY.

>> THANK YOU.

>> I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT THAT IS WHAT STRUCK ME AS I HAVE BEEN DOING THIS WORK IS THAT WE STRIVE TO DELIVER OUR SERVICES IN VERY CULTURALLY COMPETENT WAYS AND INTO COMMUNITIES. THAT COUNTY WORKERS HAVE DONE THIS. I DON'T WANT TO SAY WE'RE NOT DOING THIS, BUT I FEEL LIKE WHAT YOU SAID, COMMISSIONER, THERE'S A WAY TO EXPAND ON THIS TO FIND LEADERS THAT WE SHARE A MISSION WITH. BECAUSE ALL THE MEETINGS THAT WE'RE HOLDING, WE DON'T -- WE NEVER TALK ABOUT RELIGION. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HOMELESSNESS, HUNGER, OUR SHARE OF MISSIONS. IT'S TO THINK OF THESE MORE AS COMMUNITIES OF CONCERN BECAUSE THEY SHARE THAT MISSION I THINK HELPS PEOPLE THINK ABOUT OUR SHARED MISSION AND WHAT WE CAN DO TOGETHER.

>> I APPRECIATE, YOU HIT HOME WHEN YOU TALKED ABOUT A WAY OF CULTURAL COMPETENCY. I THINK ACTUALLY THAT'S WHY WE STARTED THIS POSITION IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY, REALIZING THAT FROM MY OPINION, FROM MY POSITION I AM CULTURALLY INCOMPETENT IN THIS AREA, SO I APPRECIATE THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE HERE TO HELP MEDIATE AND TRANSLATE AND BRIDGE THAT GAP. SO THANKS. THIS HAS BEEN VERY INFORMATIVE.

>> THANK YOU.

>> I AGREE THAT IT'S A FORM OF OUTREACH THAT WE DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE HERE BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THE FAITH COMMUNITIES' OUTREACH IS DIFFERENT. THEY HAVE ACCESS TO PEOPLE WE MIGHT NOT OR LIKE YOU SAY THEY MAY BE DISTRUSTFUL OR THEY MAY HAVE MANY REASONS OR WE'RE MAYBE NOT ABLE TO IDENTIFY THEM AS WELL. THEY ARE VERY IMPORTANT PARTNERS. I KNOW THEY CERTAINLY HAVE BEEN IN OUR CSAP WORK. WE COULDN'T DO WHAT WE ARE ABLE TO DO WITHOUT THAT COMMUNITY.

>> IF I MAY I WOULD LIKE TO SAY WE'RE INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT PARTNERS TO THEM. I GREW UP IN AN IMMIGRANT HOUSEHOLD. WHEN YOU COME FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY YOU GO TO WHAT SEEMS MOST RECOGNIZABLE. A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT'S THEIR RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY. A LOT OF THESE PASTORS, IMAMS, RABBIS WHO ARE PASTORING TO IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES AREN'T REALLY EQUIPPED TO TALK ABOUT HEALTH CLINICS AND LEGAL ADVICE EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE GIVING IT. SO WITH US AS PARTNERS WE CAN REALLY SORT OF BONE UP THEIR SKILL SET BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY USE THEM AS

INTAKE. WE CAN -- THEY ARE WORKING INTIMATELY WITH CHILDREN, FAMILIES, PEOPLE IN CRISIS, VERY CLOSELY WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE NEW AND NEED HELP NAVIGATING THE SYSTEM. THEY NEED US AS MUCH AS WE NEED THEM IN MY OPINION.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

>>> SO COMMISSIONER McKEEL, THIS IS YOUR DAY HERE.

>> SO FAR. [LAUGHTER]

>> RESTORATIVE JUSTICE?

>> WE'RE GOING TO DO RESTORATIVE JUSTICE NEXT. IT'S ALSO GOT YOUR NAME ON IT.

>> I'LL GIVE AN INTRODUCTION AND ANYONE WHO WANTS TO SPEAK CAN COME UP TO THE TABLE. WE ALL KNOW THE SUCCESS OF OUR REGION DEPENDS ON THE ABILITY OF STUDENTS TO BE ENGAGED, SUPPORTIVE LEARNERS. WE ALSO KNOW THAT KIDS WON'T ALWAYS BE PERFECT IN THEIR ARE TIMES WHEN SCHOOLS MUST USE DISCIPLINE. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO BE MINDFUL OF HOW IT IS BEING APPLIED IN ORDER TO PREVENT INCREASINGLY NEGATIVE OUT COMES FOR THE STUDENTS. THE SCHOOL-BASED RESTORATIVE JUSTICE INITIATIVE IS WORKING TO TRAIN AND CONSULT WITH DISTRICTS AND SCHOOLS TO SHIFT SCHOOL CULTURE AND PRACTICE AWAY FROM EXCLUSIONARY DISCIPLINE THAT DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTS STUDENTS OF COLOR. THEIR RESULTS HAVE BEEN VERY IMPRESSIVE AND CAN BE USED AS A MODEL ACROSS THE REGION. CHRISTINA ALBO FROM RESOLUTIONS NORTHWEST AND OTHER GUESTS ARE HERE FROM THE COMMUNITY TO TALK ABOUT RESTORATIVE JUSTICE, FEEDBACK AROUND DIFFERENT MODELS AND SHARE DATA AND PERSONAL STORIES THAT CAPTURE THE WORK. I JUST WANT TO SAY I'M A BIG FAN OF THIS MODEL OF RESTORATIVE JUSTICE. IT MAKES A LOT OF SENSE WHEN WE'RE DEALING WITH OUR YOUNG FOLKS. I ALSO WAS AT THE CONFERENCE, THE SUMMIT PUT ON BY THE YOUTH COMMISSION ON SATURDAY. RESTORATIVE JUSTICE WAS ITS OWN BREAK-OUT IN THAT AT THAT CONFERENCE. SO I THINK THAT THAT SHOWS THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS MODEL TO OUR YOUTH AS WELL. SO GO AHEAD, CHRISTINA.

>> THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER McKEEL. I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR PROVIDING US AN OPPORTUNITY TO UPDATE YOU ABOUT THIS INITIATIVE. AS COMMISSIONER McKEEL MENTIONED I'M CHRISTINA ALBO, AND I AM THE DIRECTOR OF MEDIATION SERVICES FOR RESOLUTIONS NORTHWEST. AS YOU KNOW, THE COUNTY HAS BEEN FUNDING THIS INITIATIVE FOR OVER FIVE

YEARS AND COMMISSIONER McKEEL WANTED US TO COME AND UPDATE YOU ON THAT INITIATIVE AND ALSO SHARE SOME OF OUR LESSONS LEARNED AROUND DIFFERENT MODELS OF IMPLEMENTATION. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE HERE TODAY WHO WILL SHARE THEIR STORIES, BUT FIRST I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MINUTE TO REMIND US WHY THIS WORK IS SO IMPORTANT. TO BUILD OFF OF WHAT COMMISSIONER McKEEL HAS JUST SHARED. THE SCHOOL TO PRISON PIPELINE IS CONSIDERED ONE OF THE MOST PRESSING CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUES TODAY. STUDENTS OF COLOR, ALONG WITH THEIR FAMILIES, ARE BEING PUSHED OUT OF SCHOOL AT FAR HIGHER RATES THAN THEIR WHITE COUNTERPARTS. NATIONAL STATISTICS SHOW THAT NATIVE AMERICAN AND LATINO AND BLACK STUDENTS ARE 1.5 TO 3.5 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO GET EXPELLED THAN WHITE STUDENTS. RESEARCH SHOWS STUDENTS WITH THREE OR MORE SUSPENSIONS ARE TIME TIMES MORE LIKELY TO DROP OUT AND WHEN THOSE STUDENTS DROP OUT THEY ARE EIGHT TIMES MORE LIKELY TO ENTER PRISON. GET USED TO THIS. OKAY. MULTNOMAH COUNTY IS WELL AWARE OF THE PROBLEM THAT EXISTS HERE AT VERY SIMILAR PROPORTIONS TO THE NATIONAL STATISTICS. IN OREGON STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN SUSPEND REASONABLE DOUBT 8% MORE LIKELY TO DROP OUT OF SCHOOL. THESE STATISTICS TELL US THAT WE ARE NOT PROVIDING EQUAL ACCESS TO EDUCATION. WE ALSO KNOW THAT EDUCATING OUR YOUTH IS FAR LESS EXPENSIVE THAN LOCKING THEM UP. IT COSTS BETWEEN 32 AND \$65,000 TO INCARCERATE A YOUTH IN OREGON IT COSTS BETWEEN EIGHT AND \$10,000 TO EDUCATE THEM IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM PER YEAR. ADDITIONALLY, PEOPLE WITH HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS ARE BETTER ABLE TO FINANCIALLY SUPPORT THEMSELVES AND THEIR FAMILIES AND GENERATE MORE ECONOMIC WEALTH IN THE COMMUNITY. FOR EXAMPLE IF HALF OF OREGON'S NEARLY 12,000 DROPOUTS FROM 2010 HAD EARNED A DIPLOMA THERE WOULD BE \$40 MILLION IN INCREASED EARNINGS AND 3.1 MILLION IN INCREASED STATE TAX REVENUE. MULTNOMAH COUNTY WITH THE SUPPORT FROM THE CITY OF PORTLAND, NORTHWEST HEALTH FOUNDATION AND PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS HAS INVESTED IN LOOKING AT A LOCAL SOLUTION BY ENVISIONING AND SUPPORTING THE SCHOOL-BASED RESTORATIVE JUSTICE INITIATIVE. THEY ARE DOING THIS IN PARK ROSE, DAVID DOUGLAS AND PORTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICTS. THE INITIATIVE JUST TO SAY A BIT ABOUT WHAT RESTORATIVE JUSTICE IS HAS AFFORDED SCHOOLS AN OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE SYSTEMIC AND SUSTAINABLE CHANGE BY SHIFTING THE CULTURE AROUND DISCIPLINE TO FOCUS ON RELATIONSHIPS. THE SLIDE HERE SORT OF ILLUSTRATES THAT KIND OF CULTURAL SHIFT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. WHILE THE TRADITIONAL PUNITIVE SYSTEM LOOKS TO IDENTIFY THE RULE BROKEN, ASSIGN BLAME TO WHO IS RESPONSIBLE, AND THEN ISSUE A CONSEQUENCE ACCORDING TO SCHOOL DISTRICT AND STATE POLICIES RESTORATIVE JUSTICE LOOKS AT THE IMPACT OR HARM TO THE RELATIONSHIP. SEEKS THE VOICE OF THOSE IMPACTED TO UNDERSTAND THE DEPTHS OF THAT HARM AND FOCUSES ON ACCOUNTABILITY BY MAKING THINGS RIGHT. THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS, GUIDE RESTORATIVE INTERACTION WHETHER IN

THE HALLWAY, IN CLASSROOM, IN THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE OR IN FACE TO FACE DIALOGUE WITH THOSE RESPONSIBLE AND IMPACTED. THOSE QUESTIONS ARE WHAT HAPPENED, WHO WAS HARMED, AND HOW. WHAT CAN BE DONE TO MAKE THINGS RIGHT? HOW CAN WE KEEP THINGS RIGHT AND THEN ALSO WHAT CAN WE DO TO SUPPORT YOU, TO HELP MAKE THAT HAPPEN? I WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO UPDATE YOU ON 2012 STUDY THAT THE CENTER FOR STUDENT SUCCESS AT PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY CONDUCTED. LOOKING AT HOW THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PROGRAM IS WORKING AND WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES. THIS IS A QUALITATIVE STUDY SO IT FOCUSED ON STORIES FROM THOSE IMPACTED. THE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS YOU ALSO HAVE A COPY OF THIS, A HARD COPY, BUT ALSO ELECTRONIC SO YOU CAN FEEL FREE TO PERUSE THAT IN MORE DETAIL BUT THE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THAT STUDY IDENTIFY A NUMBER OF ELEMENTS THAT ARE REALLY CRITICAL FOR SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION AND POSITIVE OUT COMES. FIRST THERE NEEDS TO BE ADMINISTRATIVE AND STAFF BUY-IN THAT TRULY INCLUDES UNDERSTAND THE PHILOSOPHY AND A REAL COMMITMENT TO IMPLEMENT. THIS IS NO SMALL ASK. IN A FAST-PACED CRISIS-PRONE ENVIRONMENT WITH A NUMBER OF COMPETING RESPONSIBILITIES AND PRIORITIES AND THE FUTURE OF CHILDREN AT HAND. IT'S A TREMENDOUS ASK. THERE'S ALSO NEEDS TO BE THE PHILOSOPHICAL BELIEF THAT YOUTH CAN RESOLVE THEIR OWN PROBLEMS AND THEY CAN MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT MAKING THINGS RIGHT. IT'S ABOUT YOU EMPOWERING YOUTH TO MAKE THOSE CHOICES AND DECISIONS. THERE ALSO NEEDS TO BE A PHILOSOPHICAL -- SYSTEMIC, PERVASIVE ADOPTION OF ATTITUDES, BELIEF SYSTEMS AND STRUCTURES. WHEN THOSE CRISIS'S ARISE IT'S ESSENTIAL TO HAVE SOLID SYSTEMS IN PLACE TO SUPPORT BELIEFS AND VALUES. ALL OF THIS REQUIRES TIME TO BE SET ASIDE FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF STAFF, PARENT AND STUDENT RELATIONSHIP BUILDING, AND SYSTEMIC IMPLEMENTATION OF PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES. ONE THING THE STUDY DID FIND WAS THAT GREATEST IMPACT SO FAR HAD BEEN SEEN IN SITES WHERE THERE WAS ONE STAFF PERSON DEDICATED TO PROVIDING SERVICES, COACHING, IMPLEMENTATION, AND REALLY GUIDING THAT PROCESS FORWARD. THAT COULD BE EITHER RESTORATIVE JUSTICE SPECIALISTS FROM RESOLUTIONS NORTHWEST OR SOMEBODY WHO WAS DESIGNATED IN-HOUSE IN THE SCHOOL BUILDING TO SHEPHERD THAT FORWARD. IT ALSO IDENTIFIES THAT VERY IMPORTANTLY THIS WORK CANNOT BE DONE AND HAVE AN IMPACT WITHOUT A WILLINGNESS AND COMMITMENT ON THE SCHOOL'S BEHALF AND THE COMMUNITY'S BEHALF TO LOOK AT AND ADDRESS BIAS IN BOTH PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS AND IN THE SYSTEMS WE DESIGN. THE REPORT SHOWED THAT WHEN THESE THINGS ARE IN PLACE, IN FACT STUDENT ATTITUDES AND BEHAVIORS IMPROVE. STAFF AND STUDENTS DEVELOP PROBLEM SOLVING SKILLS. RELATIONSHIP AND COMMUNICATION BETWEEN SCHOOL STAFF AND FAMILIES IS ENHANCED AND SCHOOL CLIMATE IS POSITIVELY IMPACTED. THERE ARE CHALLENGES THAT SOME OF OUR SITES DID EXPERIENCE. THOSE ARE AROUND TIME, TIME AND RESOURCES FOR

QUALITY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR ADMINISTRATORS AND STAFF IN PARTICULAR. STAFFING LEVELS WHERE THERE WASN'T THE APPROPRIATE STAFF LEVEL TO HELP SHEPHERD THE PROCESS. THAT PRESENTED ITS CHALLENGES. AND ALSO THE SORT OF TENSION AROUND GRANTING YOUTH VOICE AND DECISION MAKING POWER IN CLIMATES WHERE IT'S TYPICALLY BEEN THE ADULTS TO MAKE THOSE DECISIONS. AT THIS POINT, I WOULD LIKE TO BRING OTHER VOICES TO THE TABLE TO SHARE STORIES AND DATA. PART OF THE VOICES I WOULD LIKE TO BRING TO THE TABLE ARE A VIDEO, THEN TAMMIE JACKSON, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES FOR PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS WILL SHARE SOME DATA AND MARIAH COOPER A STUDENT AT DAVID DOUGLAS, WILL SHARE HER PERSONAL EXPERIENCE. [MUSIC PLAYING]

>> IT GIVES YOU THE ABILITY TO MAKE THINGS RIGHT, LIKE MAKE CONNECTIONS AND MAKE THINGS RIGHT FOR YOURSELF AND LIKE WITH THE PEOPLE THAT YOU HARMED OR HAD A CONFLICT WITH.

>> IT'S ALL GROUP ORGANIZED, AND WE HAVE GREAT COMMUNICATION. I LIKE THE CLASS. I LIKE TO SEE THE SMILES, THE HAPPIES, THE HOW HAVE YOUR DAY BEENS. MOST PEOPLE YOU WOULDN'T SAY THAT TO ON A REGULAR STREET YOU COULD SAY HERE AND NOT BE AFRAID TO. YOU CAN EXPRESS YOURSELF WITHOUT BEING JUDGED LIKE YOU WOULD ON A REGULAR SCHOOL DAY.

>> BEFORE I LOOKED AT THE COACH SAYING, OH, WATCH THE NEWS, HE DOESN'T DO THAT, GO TO JAIL, BUT NOW I'M UNDERSTANDING LIKE THE FACTS ARE HARD AND HOW IT AFFECTS A WHOLE COMMUNITY.

>> WHEN THEY SUSPEND PEOPLE IT DOESN'T DO THE KIDNEY GOOD BECAUSE THEN THEY ARE OUT ON THE STREET. THEY COULD GET INTO MORE TROUBLE.

>> SHE DID SOMETHING SO. [AUDIO NOT UNDERSTANDABLE] SUSPENDED AND WHAT SHE DID, SHE LOWERED THE SENTENCE. SCHOOL SUSPENSION. [AUDIO NOT UNDERSTANDABLE] SO THAT JUST SHOWS THAT OTHER MEASURES LIKE NOT GETTING SUSPENDED ARE WORTH THE RISK.

>> I HAD SOME INCIDENT, MINOR INCIDENT AND I WENT THROUGH -- [AUDIO NOT UNDERSTANDABLE] ANOTHER TEACHER SAID AT MY HEARING AT MY SCHOOL BASICALLY THEY GAVE SUPPORT FOR ME AND JUST THERE TO VOUCH FOR ME, TO SUPPORT ME SO I WOULDN'T GO THROUGH THAT HEARING ALONE. IT HELPED A LOT AND I'M STILL HERE.

>> WHEN I WAS A SOPHOMORE AND FRESHMAN, I GOT IN A LITTLE TROUBLE, ALTERCATIONS, BUT THERE WASN'T MORE -- SEE WHAT THE KID'S POINT OF VIEW IS. HE'S BAD, AUTOMATIC EXTENSION, REFERRALS, NO IN BETWEEN

TALKING. AS MUCH AS I COULD TALK IT DIDN'T MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO THE TEACHERS, ADULTS, ADMINISTRATORS THAT WAS HERE JUST BECAUSE OF WHAT I HAD DONE. OH, WHAT A BAD KID. NOT KNOWING THE REASON WHAT LED UP TO IT. IF YOU WANT SOMETHING TO CHANGE YOU GOTTA WORK FOR IT.

>> IN THE PAST THEY WHENEVER THEY WERE SENT THE PRACTICE IS HAVING SOMEBODY ELSE IN THE OFFICE RESOLVE THE ISSUE. CHANGING HOW TO TAKE ACTION AND HOW TO BE ACTUALLY PRESENT IN THE CONVERSATION IS HAVE SOMEBODY ELSE DO IT FOR YOU HAS BEEN REALLY, REALLY CHALLENGING, HOWEVER, DEFINITELY THIS YEAR I CAN TELL YOU THAT THEY WERE LISTENING, RESTORATIVE JUSTICE THAT OUR TEACHERS ARE HAVING IN THE BUILDING IT HAS TOTALLY CHANGED. IT WAS DIFFICULT AT THE BEGINNING AND IT WAS LIKE A HANDFUL OF US WHO KEPT AT IT AND USING THE SAME WORDS AND BEING CONSISTENT WITH THE MESSAGE. NOW IT HAS PERMEATED THROUGH THE COMMUNITY SO INSTEAD OF BEING CALLED TO DISCIPLINE A CHILD, I GET CALLED A LOT TO TAKE OVER THE CLASS THAT A TEACHER CAN HAVE A RESTORATIVE DIALOGUE WITH THE STUDENT. ALSO THE STUDENTS ARE TALKING TO EACH OTHER IN A REALLY RESPECTIVE, THOUGHTFUL WAY.

>> I HAVE TO SAY THAT IT DID MAKE A CHANGE FOR DAVID DOUGLAS NOW THAT RESTORATIVE JUSTICE IS HERE. I HAVE SEEN IT. I'M GLAD IT'S HERE. IT HAS BEEN A GOOD CHANGE. HOPING IT WILL MAKE A BIGGER CHANGE AFTER I LEAVE THIS YEAR, YOU KNOW. I DON'T THINK THIS WILL -- I THINK THIS WOULD BE A GREAT CLASS TO HAVE IN EVERY HIGH SCHOOL, IN EVERY MIDDLE SCHOOL. [APPLAUSE]

>> YOU TALK.

>> THANK YOU. SO TAMMIE JACKSON IS GOING TO SHARE DATA FROM GRANT HIGH SCHOOL AND RIGLER. I GET TO TELL YOU KIND OF THE DRIER SIDE OF THE STORY, WHICH IS WHAT DIFFERENCE ARE WE SEEING IN OUR DATA AS A RESULT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RESTORATIVE JUSTICE IN TWO OF OUR SCHOOLS, RIGLER AND GRANT HIGH SCHOOL AND ABOUT THEIR CHANGE PROCESS BECAUSE DATA IS IMPACTED, OF COURSE, BY NOT ONLY A SINGLE EFFORT BUT A COMBINATION OF EFFORTS THAT ARE GOING ON WITHIN A SCHOOL STRUCTURE. SO A COUPLE OF THINGS HAPPENED AT GRANT HIGH SCHOOL, CHRISTINA TALKED ABOUT THE NEED FOR ADMINISTRATIVE BUY-IN AND SUPPORT. THAT WAS EVIDENCED IN 11/12 AT GRANT HIGH SCHOOL WITH THE HIRING OF A RESTORATIVE JUSTICE COORDINATOR THAT STAFF FROM RESOLUTIONS NORTHWEST IS MENTORING ESSENTIALLY. THAT INDIVIDUAL IS RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTING RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PRACTICES WITH SELECTED OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRALS AND IN 2012-13, WHICH IS THIS ACADEMIC YEAR, THERE'S A NEW REFERRAL PROCESS THAT'S BEING USED AT GRANT HIGH SCHOOL. SO WHEN YOU LOOK AT THEIR DATA AND THEIR

CHANGE, THIS IS LOOKING AT INFORMATION OVER A THREE-YEAR PERIOD, AND THEIR EXCLUSIONARY RATES. YOU'RE LOOKING AT -- THERE'S SOME DESIRE ON SOME PEOPLE'S PART TO LOOK AT DATA FROM A COUPLE DIFFERENT ANGLES, ONE IS UNDUPLICATED PERSPECTIVE, WHICH IS STUDENTS WITH ONE DISCIPLINARY REFERRAL MEANING IN THIS CASE REFERRAL WHICH RESULTED IN EXCLUSION. SO THIS IS REALLY ONLY LOOKING AT EXCLUSIONARY PRACTICE AT THIS POINT, AND WHAT KIND OF DIFFERENCE WE'RE SEEING IN GRANT HIGH SCHOOL OVER A THREE-YEAR PERIOD. WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE BLUE BAR, WHAT YOU NOTICE IS THESE ARE UNDUPLICATED CHANGES, APPEARED YOU SEE A STEADY DECLINE IN BOTH DUPLICATED AND UNDUPLICATED. WE'LL GO THE NEXT SLIDE. AT RIGLER, RIGLER HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN RESTORATIVE JUSTICE FOR THE LONGEST OF OUR DISTRICT SCHOOLS I'M HAPPY TO SAY, AND IN 2009 RIGLER SERVED KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 7. THIS SLIDE IS MAINLY TO PREFACE SOME OF THE DATA BECAUSE THEIR GRADE CONFIGURATION ALSO CHANGED WHERE THEIR MID LEVEL STUDENTS WERE TRANSITIONED TO ANOTHER SITE. SO THAT'S REALLY WHAT THIS SLIDE IS HELPING YOU KNOW ABOUT. YOU ALSO HEARD IN THE VIDEO RUTH TUCKER TALK ABOUT THAT CHANGE IN HOW THEY ARE USING RESTORATIVE JUSTICE AND YOU'LL HEAR MORE ABOUT THAT IN A FEW MINUTES. IT'S GETTING USED MORE DEEPLY IN THEIR SYSTEM AND FROM HIGH LEVEL TYPES OF BEHAVIORS TO MORE CLASSROOM-BASED BEHAVIORS. WHAT YOU SEE AT RIGLER IS A DECLINE ALSO IN THE OVERALL RATE OF EXCLUSION. I FEEL LIKE THAT ONLY THESE SLIDES ONLY TELL YOU PART OF THE STORY. FROM ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT WITHIN OUR DISTRICT IS TO RACIALIZE OUR DATA. SO ONE OF THE WAYS THAT WE LOOK FOR CHANGE IS WHEN WE ARE CONSIDERING PRACTICES, WHO DO THEY BENEFIT AND WHO DO THEY PERHAPS NOT BENEFIT. IN THIS CASE, WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO SHARE WITH YOU ABOUT OUR DISCIPLINE DATA FOR RIGLER AND GRANT IS THAT THEY HAVE SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED THE OVERREPRESENTATION OF EXCLUSION WITH AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS. AND RIGLER IN THE CASE OF RIGLER OVER THE THREE-YEAR PERIOD ALMOST FOUR TIMES THE DISTRICT AVERAGE HAVE THEY REDUCED THAT OVERREPRESENTATION FOR AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS AND AT GRANT HIGH SCHOOL NEARLY TWICE AS MUCH AS THE DISTRICT AVERAGE. WHILE AS I SAID WHEN I STARTED MY COMMENTS, IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE OTHER INITIATIVES AND WORK THAT THESE ADMINISTRATORS ARE LEADING WITHIN THEIR BUILDINGS, I THINK IT IS ALSO SO ONE CAN'T SOLELY ATTRIBUTE THIS CHANGE TO RESTORATIVE JUSTICE BUT ONE CERTAINLY NEEDS TO LOOK 20 RESTORATIVE JUSTICE FOR THE CONTINUED DECLINE IN OVERREPRESENTATION AS A CONTRIBUTOR. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS EFFORT IN OUR SCHOOLS.

>> THANKS, TAMMIE. MARIAH IS A STUDENT AT DAVID DOUGLAS. SHE IS GOING TO SHARE HER EXPERIENCE.

>> THANKS, GUYS, FOR LISTENING. I'M MARIAH COOPER, A SENIOR AT DAVID DOUGLAS HIGH SCHOOL. I HAVE BEEN IN THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE CLASS THIS YEAR. I'M HERE TO TALK ABOUT WHY I THINK IT SHOULD BE OFFERED MORE SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES AND HOW I CAN OFFER MORE MEANINGFUL PROCESS IN RESPONDING TO HARM. I WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU BRIEFLY WHAT R.J. HAS BROUGHT TO ME PERSONALLY AND HOW I CAN SEE IT PLAYING A BIGGER ROLE IN OUR SOCIETY T. SHOWED HOW OUR CURRENT SYSTEM IN SCHOOLS AND IN JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEMS ONLY SHUTS DOORS IN PEOPLE'S FACES. IT GIVES NO CHANCE FOR PEOPLE TO SHARE THEIR STORY OR TO BE SUPPORTED BY THE COMMUNITY. USUALLY WHEN A HARM HAPPENS WE ONLY TALK ABOUT THE FACTS. WE NEVER SHARE PERSONAL STORIES OR OBSERVATIONS BEHIND IT. R.J. OFFERS A CHANCE TO CONNECT BEYOND THE SURFACE. IT GIVES A CHANCE FOR TRUE UNDERSTANDING AND ALLOWS THE PERSON TO BE TRULY RECOGNIZED. NOTICE HOW OUR DIFFERENT PERCEPTIONS PLAY A ROLE IN OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE SITUATION. R.J. IS A PLACE FOR EVERYONE TO BE GENUINE, REAL AND AUTHENTIC WITH EACH OTHER. THIS WAS A REFRESHING SURPRISE FOR ME WHEN I ATTENDED MY FIRST LIFE CIRCLE. I EMBRACED THE OPPORTUNITY WITH EXCITEMENT AND MY ANXIETY WAS SOON DECREASED BY THE CONNECTIONS I MADE WITH EVERYONE. WHEN WE KNOW EACH OTHER WE CAN PREVENT HARM IN THE FUTURE BECAUSE WE HAVE RELATIONSHIPS TO SUPPORT US. IT BRINGS A SMILE TO MY FACE BECAUSE IT'S ABOUT BEING GENUINE, NOT TRYING TO RUN FROM THE DIFFICULT REALITIES WE ALL FACE. MANY MAY BE CURIOUS ABOUT MY PRESENCE TODAY AND THE MOTIVATION BEHIND IT. I'M PROUD TO SAY I'M HERE TO CONTINUE BEING A LEADER OF MY LIFE BY LEADING THROUGH EXAMPLE AND SPREADING THIS WONDERFUL CONTINUE TO GROWTH IN OUR PERSONAL LIVES AND IN OUR COMMUNITY. I CONSISTENTLY HEAR ABOUT DECISIONS MADE AROUND HOW TO GET STUDENTS TO BECOME BETTER TEST MAKERS AND EXTRANEIOUS EFFORTS AND LARGE AMOUNTS OF MONEY PUT INTO THESE SYSTEMS BUT NO TIME OR MONEY IS BEING SPENT ON THE DEVELOPING THAT WOULD CARRY US ON IN LIFE. THINGS LIKE UNDERSTANDING OUR EMOTIONS AND KNOWING HOW TO RESOLVE CONFLICTS. DEAL WITH PROBLEMS DIFFERENTLY. HOW TO BE TRULY THERE FOR SOMEONE AND ACTUALLY HAVE A COMMUNITY THERE FOR YOU. IT'S ESTABLISHING EMOTIONAL STABILITY SO WE AS YOUTH CAN MOVE FORWARD IN LIFE. I HOPE THOSE MAKING DECISIONS FOR US AS YOUTH WILL CONSIDER THIS AND WHAT R.J. HAS TO OFFER FOR ALL OF US. I WANT TO THANK YOU SINCERELY FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND SUPPORT.

>> THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] SO OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS WE HAVE PILOTED VARIOUS MODEL OF IMPLEMENTATION FROM THE ONE FTE, ADD ONE SCHOOL TO SIX SCHOOLS TO TRAINING WITH COACHING AND CONSULTATION. BASED ON THE PROGRAM EVALUATION, BASED ON THE EXPERIENCE OF OUR SKILLED AND PASSIONATE RESTORATIVE SPECIALISTS, AND ALSO IN

CONVERSATION AT BUILDING LEVELS AND AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL WE FEEL THERE'S NO ONE MODEL THAT WORKS BETTER THAN THE OTHER. RATHER DIFFERENT SCHOOLS HAVE DIFFERENT NEEDS. WE DO FEEL THAT ONE COMMON DENOMINATOR IS INTENSIVE STAFF AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRAINING AT THE BEGINNING OF ANY EFFORT. AFTER THAT, ONE SCHOOL MAY NEED A FULL-TIME STAFF PERSON WHILE ANOTHER SCHOOL MAY SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENT WITH SOME ADDITIONAL COACHING AND CONSULTATION. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS FOR DEVELOPING CRITERIA FOR EACH OF THESE TIERS OF IMPLEMENTATION. WHAT WE DON'T KNOW AT THIS STAGE IS WHETHER THE MAJORITY OF THE SCHOOLS NEED A FULL-TIME STAFF PERSON OR IF THE MAJORITY OF THE SCHOOLS NEED THE INTENSIVE TRAINING WITH COACHING AND CONSULTATIONS. SO IF THE PYRAMID LOOKS MORE LIKE THIS, OR IF THE PYRAMID LOOKS LIKE THIS. AT THIS POINT I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE CHRISTI LINDHOLM, PRINCIPAL OF WRITING LETTER SCHOOL, AND TOBIN CALE, THE SPECIALIST AT RIGLER, TO SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCE AROUND IMPLEMENTATION IN MORE DEPTH IN TERMS OF THEIR DATA.

>> THANKS. I'M CHRISTI LIPPED HOME, SERVING MY SIXTH YEAR -- SHOULD I SWITCH IT?

>> DO YOU WANT TO DO THAT? I GOT TO PRESENT TO THE SCHOOL BOARD A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, AND I CHOSE TO SPEAK ABOUT RESTORATIVE JUSTICE AND OUR ELIMINATION OF THE RACIAL DISCIPLINE GAP. SO THIS IS A PRESENTATION THAT I USED, AND I WANTED TO SHOW YOU PIECES OF IT. I'LL GO HERE. THIS IS THE PART WHERE MY HUSBAND SAID I GAVE MYSELF A GOLD STAR. FIVE YEARS AGO I WAS INTO MY FIRST YEAR AT RIGLER AND WE TYPIFIED THE DATA CHRISTINA HAS SHARED WITH YOU. RELATIVE RATES OF DISCIPLINARY EXCLUSION FOR AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS WAS 5-1, FOR LATINOS 4-1. TODAY ALTHOUGH WE ONLY HAVE K-5 STUDENTS AND I'M SURE THAT HELPS US BE ON TRACK BETTER WE HAVE ELIMINATED PREDICTABILITY OF EXCLUSIONARY DISCIPLINE BY RACE. SO WE'RE AT A 1-1 RATE. OUR OVER ALL RATES OF DISCIPLINE HAVE DECREASED. OUR RATES OF EXCLUSIONARY PRACTICE HAVE DECREASED, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY TO US, YOU CAN'T PREDICT WHAT HAPPENS TO A KID BASED ON THE COLOR OF THEIR SKIN. TAMMIE IS RIGHT, WE DID THAT THROUGH A VARIETY OF METHODS BUT RESTORATIVE JUSTICE WAS THE THREAD WE USED TO CHANGE THE HEARTS AND MINDS OF OUR TEACHERS. IT WAS REALLY POWERFUL EXPERIENCE FOR STAFF TO EXAMINE THEIR ROLE IN THE SCHOOL TO PRISON PIPELINE. WOOPS. AND WHAT OUR CONTRIBUTIONS WERE, SO WE HAD A LOT OF RECKONING TO DO ABOUT HOW WE THOUGHT ABOUT DISCIPLINE, ABOUT OUR STUDENTS, HOW WE WORKED WITH ONE ANOTHER AND WE WERE LUCKY TO RECEIVE A THREE-YEAR GRANT WHICH ALLOWED US TO HAVE TOBIN WORK WITH US FULL-TIME AT SCHOOL. WE ENTERED INTO A LOT OF SOUL-SEARCHING AND REFLECTION ABOUT WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE WERE THERE FOR. A LOST PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT HELPED US MAKE THE HUGE CHANGE WE HAVE MADE FOR OUR KIDS.

>> WHAT DOES PBIS STAND FOR?

>> POSITIVE BEHAVIOR AND INTERVENTION SUPPORT. OVER ALL SYSTEM OF HOW YOU LOOK AT PRACTICES AND EXPECTATIONS IN YOUR SCHOOL.

>> ALL RIGHT, HELLO, THANKS FOR HAVING US TODAY. I'M TOBIN CRAIL. I'M GOING TO TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO LET YOU KNOW WHAT MY WORK AS A RESTORATIVE JUSTICE SPECIALIST LOOKS LIKE SPECIFICALLY AT RIGLER ELEMENTARY. I THINK WE SKIMMED IT A LITTLE BIT BUT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO COLLABORATE WITH STAFF AND ADMINISTRATION IN BUILDING THE SYSTEMS WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THAT PROVIDE ALTERNATIVES TO EXCLUSIONARY PRACTICES. THOSE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO HELP DEVELOP AND PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND COACHING FOR STAFF AROUND R.J. PRACTICES SPECIFICALLY IN RELATION TO HOW YOU IMPLEMENT THAT IN THE CLASSROOM AS WELL AS INTERPERSONAL ENCOUNTERS. COMING FROM AN OUTSIDE ORGANIZATION WHOSE INTERESTS ULTIMATELY LIE WITH THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY THAT'S SERVED I HAVE THE ABILITY TO BUILD TRUST NECESSARY TO FACILITATE CONFLICTS AND HARMS BETWEEN ADMINISTRATION, STAFF, FAMILIES AND STUDENTS WHO ALL COME FROM VERY DIFFERENT PLACES. BEING ON THE GROUND LEVEL FULL-TIME OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS HAS ALLOWED ME TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS AND CAPACITIES WITH THE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES I WORK W. I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FACILITATE PROCESSES THAT BRING HEALING AND RESOLUTIONS TO LITERALLY HUNDREDS OF RELATIONSHIPS. MAKES ME FEEL GOOD TO EVEN SAY THAT. TO REFLECT A LITTLE BIT OVER THE WORK I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DO. AS WELL AS PREVENT EVEN MORE CONFLICTS FROM HAPPENING AND ESCALATING BY GETTING THOSE PARTICIPANTS THE TOOLS THEY NEED. I THINK THIS IS WITHIN THE SCHOOL AND THE COMMUNITY. THE CONFLICTS SPILL OVER FROM ONE INTO THE OTHER SO THE IMPACT TO RESTORATIVE JUSTICE IS NOT JUST ISOLATED TO THE SCHOOL. IT EXPANDS INTO THE HOMES AND LIVELIHOODS OF FAMILIES AND NEIGHBORHOODS IN WHICH WE WORK AND ULTIMATELY IMPACTS THE WHOLE COUNTY. THE WORK IS SO IMPORTANT IN BUILDING THE TYPE OF COMMUNITY WHERE THE INDIVIDUAL STORY IS HEARD, IMPACT IS UNDERSTOOD, AND RELATIONSHIPS ARE BUILT AND MAINTAINED IN A MEANINGFUL WAY W. THAT I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, ATTENTION AND INTEREST.

>> I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO TALK ABOUT HOW THE FUNDING THAT THE COUNTY PROVIDED HAS AFFORDED US AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEVERAGE ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR EXAMPLE WITH THE NORTHWEST HEALTH FOUNDATION SPECIFICALLY FUNDED RIGLER. AS WELL AS KEY PARTNERSHIPS. WE HAVE WORKED EXTENSIVELY WITH SHEILA WARREN FROM THE PORTLAND PARENT UNION AROUND INCLUDING PARENTS IN THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE WORK THAT'S HAD A POWERFUL IMPACT SPECIFICALLY IN THE RIGLER COMMUNITY AND WE'RE ABOUT TO LAUNCH

ANOTHER DIALOGUE IN THE PARK ROSE COMMUNITY. WE HAVE ALSO PARTNERED WITH MARK FERNANDEZ FROM MULTNOMAH MOMAH YOUTH COMMISSION WHICH COMMISSIONER McKEEL TALKED ABOUT IN WHICH WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO TRAIN OVER 100 YOUTH IN RESTORATIVE JUSTICE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY AS PART OF THEIR VIOLENCE PREVENTION WORK AND LINKING THAT TO THE WORK OF THE MULTNOMAH YOUTH COMMISSION. WITH THAT I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE BOTH SHEILA AND MARK UP TO SPEAK ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCE AND CONNECTIONS WITH THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE WORK.

>> GOOD MORNING.

>> GOOD MORNING.

>> I HAD SOME NOTES BUT I THINK I WILL JUST SPEAK. AS YOU SAID, I'M PART OF A GROUP CALLED PORTLAND PARENT UNION. WE I THINK BRING THE PARENT COMPONENT TO THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE. GROUP CALLED. [AUDIO NOT UNDERSTANDABLE] WHICH WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THE DISCIPLINE DISS PROPORTIONALITY FOR A LOT OF YEARS. JUST ABOUT THE TIME RESOLUTION NORTHWEST WAS STARTING TO BUILD RESTORATIVE JUSTICE AT PARK ROSE WE WERE STARTING PARENT UNION. ONE OF THEM SAID I HAVE BEEN DOING BECAUSE OF THE SCHOOLS IS DOING A CIRCLE DIE LONG AROUND BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY. SO WHEN RESOLUTIONS STARTED DOING RESTORATIVE JUSTICE WORK, I WAS ABLE TO OBSERVE SOME OF THE WORK THEY WERE DOING, SOME OF THE WORK, AND AS I WAS OBSERVING SOME OF THE WORK WHAT WAS HAPPENING WAS I SAW THE PARENTS WERE THERE. THAT THEIR NEEDS WEREN'T QUITE MET LIKE THE STUDENTS' WERE. IT'S GOOD WORK BUT JUST WORRIED ABOUT THE PARENTS WALKING AWAY AND NOT BEING SERVED. SO WHAT THAT DID FOR ME WAS WE HAD ALREADY STARTED TO HAVE DIALOGUE WITH THE PARENT UNION BECAUSE WE WANTED TO WORK WITH PARENTS AND TEACHERS AROUND HAVING SOME DIALOGUES, OUR GOAL IN THE BEGINS WAS TO HAVE PARENTS AND TEACHERS COME TOGETHER. THAT WAS OUR FIRST GOAL WHEN WE STARTED PARENT UNION. WE WERE LOOKING AT THAT AND WORKING WITH PAPT, WITH RETHINKING SCHOOLS. WE DID A COMMUNITY EVENT WITH PARENTS AND TEACHERS, BIG EVENT RETHINKING SCHOOLS RESOLUTIONS AMAZING PARTNERSHIP. FROM THAT PIECE WE EVEN WENT TO TEACHERS' ORGANIZATION CONFERENCE AND PRESENTED THIS PROCESS, AND WE STARTED CALLING IT RESTORATIVE LISTENING DIALOGUE. WE SAT DOWN WITH JUDITH MALLORY AND THE PAT PERSON AND THE WORK I WAS DOING AND LOOKED AT HOW WE COULD BRING PARENTS AND TEACHERS TOGETHER. IN THAT PIECE WE INVITED RESOLUTIONS TO COME SIT DOWN BECAUSE THEY HAD THE STRONG MEDIATION COMPONENT. WE HAD ALREADY STARTED BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THEM. WHEN WE WERE ABLE TO GO TO RIGLER RESOLUTIONS NORTHWEST WAS GOING IN AND WE WERE, SO IT BECAME A GREAT FIT. STILL WAS MY CONCERN TO MAKE SURE

THAT WE -- MAKE SURE THAT WE WORKED TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE THAT THE FAMILY -- I THINK OUR PIECE -- WE'RE OUR PIECE IS TO TAKE THAT RESTORATIVE JUSTICE COMPONENT TO THE NEXT STEP. DOING SOME COMMUNITY BUILDING AND RESOLUTION -- RESTORATIVE LISTENING DIALOGUE CAN BE FORMED INTO DIFFERENT SUBJECTS OR DIFFERENT THINGS, SO WE RECENTLY IN OCTOBER DID A HUGE EVENT WITH THE COMMUNITY, WITH PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS ABOUT DIALOGUE. ABOUT PEOPLE TELLING THEIR STORIES AND ALLOWING PEOPLE THAT ARE MOST HARMED LIKE WHEN WE BRING THE TEACHERS AND PARENTS TOGETHER TO TELL THEIR STORY. PEOPLE LISTENING. IT'S JUST ABOUT LISTENING TO PEOPLE, WALKING AWAY WITH ACTIONS. STRONG RELATIONSHIP BUILDING, I'M A STRONG BELIEVER IN BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS IN THE COMMUNITY TO GET THE WORK DONE, TO DO THE WORK BETTER. SO THAT'S MY PIECE. RESOLUTIONS NORTHWEST HAS BEEN A STRONG PARTNER. I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WOULD DO WITHOUT THEM. I THINK WE BRING A STRONG COMPONENT. ARE MY TWO MINUTES UP? I'M NOT SURE.

>> I WANT TO JUMP IN HERE AND SAY IF YOU COULD WRAP IT UP WE'RE ABOUT 15 MINUTES OVER TIME AND WE HAVE AN HOUR OF BOARD BRIEFING AFTER YOU. I'M SURE THERE WILL BE QUESTIONS.

>> SO THE RESTORATIVE LISTENING DIALOGUE COMPONENT OF IT. WE LOVE TO DO DIALOGUES EVERYWHERE WITH ANYONE. WE WOULD LOVE TO DO IT WITH YOU, WITH THE COMMUNITY. I'LL WRAP UP.

>> GOOD MORNING, COMMISSIONERS. SO JUST TO HIGHLIGHT OUR PARTNERSHIP AND I KNOW WE'RE SHORT ON TIME, SO WHEN THE YOUTH COMMISSION FACILITATED FOCUS GROUPS WITH OVER 140 YOUNG PEOPLE A COUPLE YEARS AGO AND SEVEN FORMS OF VIOLENCE THEY IDENTIFIED ROSE TO THE TOP ONE QUESTION THEY ALSO ASKED WAS HOW DO YOU DEAL WITH THE CONFLICT? HOW DO YOU RESOLVE THE ISSUES AROUND THESE FORMS OF VIOLENCE. YOUNG PEOPLE DIDN'T HAVE ANY HEALTHY RESPONSES TO ENGAGING IN THESE FORMS OF VIOLENCE THEY WERE EXPERIENCING BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL. SO ONE YOUNG MAN ON THE YOUTH COMMISSION FROM PARK ROSE SAID WE SHOULD START THINKING ABOUT RESTORATIVE JUSTICE AS A PRACTICE TO TIE TO THESE FORMS OF VIOLENCE BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT I'M EXPERIENCING IN MY DISTRICT AND IT REALLY WORKS. SO IT WAS AT THAT TIME WHERE THE YOUTH COMMISSION STARTED TO THINK ABOUT HOW DO WE STRATEGICALLY BRIDGE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE WORK TO THESE FORMS OF VIOLENCE AND GET YOUNG PEOPLE TO START HAVING THESE CONVERSATIONS. LAST YEAR WHEN THEY APPLIED FOR THE STATE FARM GRANT WE STARTED BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH RESOLUTIONS NORTHWEST, AND THEY INCORPORATED \$20,000 INTO THE GRANT TO SPECIFICALLY FUND RESOLUTIONS NORTHWEST ADDITIONAL MONEY TO TRAIN YOUTH ON HOW TO DO THIS WORK. SO HISTORICALLY IT'S BEEN ADULTS THAT HAVE BEEN LEADING THE PROCESS.

THE YOUTH SAID WE WANT TO HAVE YOUTH TO YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AROUND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE. UP TO THIS POINT AND AS YOU SAW THERE WAS A STRONG RESTORATIVE JUSTICE PIECE AT THE SUMMIT THIS SATURDAY, WAS JUST THE NEXT STEPS TO THAT ENGAGEMENT. SO CURRENTLY WE'RE TRAINING AS CHRISTINA SAID OVER 100 YOUNG PEOPLE IN EIGHT DIFFERENT SCHOOLS, REAPPLYING FOR THE GRANT THIS COMING YEAR, AND HOPING TO EXTEND THAT OUT TO TRAIN MORE YOUTH AND CONTINUE TO BUILD OUR PARTNERSHIP. IT'S JUST BEEN A REALLY STRONG RELATIONSHIP. THE YOUTH COMMISSION IS REALLY HAPPY TO BE IN THIS PARTNERSHIP TO SEE WHERE THE WORK EVOLVES. THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, AND APOLOGIES FOR GOING OVER. FORGIVE ME FOR POINTING THAT OUT, WE DO JUST HAVE SUCH A FULL SCHEDULE TODAY AND OBVIOUSLY YOU HAVE SO MUCH PROGRAM TO TALK ABOUT AND THAT'S ALL GOOD.

>> I'LL JUST CLOSE AND JUST INVITE YOU TO A FORUM THAT'S GOING TO BE HELD ON APRIL 12th HOSTED BY THE SUN SYSTEM WHICH WILL JUST DELVE DEEPER INTO THE RESTORATIVE JUSTICE MOVEMENT NATIONALLY AND LOCALLY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

>> THANK YOU.

>>> COMMISSIONER McKEEL?

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR BEING HERE TODAY. I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THE PROGRAMS THAT EMPOWER OUR YOUNG PEOPLE AND BUILD RELATIONSHIPS. I NEVER QUITE FRANKLY UNDERSTOOD HOW SUSPENSION WAS A PUNISHMENT. THIS IS MUCH MORE PRODUCTIVE.

>>> SO WE HAVE GOT AS ADVERTISED, INFORMATIONAL BOARD BRIEFING ON MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES SYSTEM OF CARE AND PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU. SUSAN?

>> JUST GO AHEAD AND GET STARTED WHENEVER YOU'RE READY.

>> GOOD MORNING, COMMISSIONERS. I'M SUSAN MYERS, DIRECTOR OF COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES. WITH ME TODAY IS DAVID HIDALGO, DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES DIVISION AS WELL AS TERRY BEEMER, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES. WE'RE HERE TO DISCUSS THE COUNTY'S MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDITION SYSTEM SERVICES OF CARE INCLUDING HOW WE INTERFACE WITH THE PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU. WE ALL RECOGNIZE INCREASING NEED FOR SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY AND DECLINING RESOURCES WE HAVE TO TREAT THOSE IN NEED. SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THAT WE MEET IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE WE HAVE FIVE ACUTE CARE HOSPITALS, WE HAVE 563

RESIDENTIAL BEDS WHICH INCLUDES A THIRD BEING PSYCHIATRIC SECURITY REVIEW BOARD BEDS. WE HAVE MOST OF THE SEVERELY ILL. WE HAVE THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS IN THE STATE. SOME OF OUR OTHER CHALLENGES ARE THAT WE HAVE STATE FUNDING REDUCTIONS TO THE CRISIS SYSTEM, REDUCTION IN MEDICAID RATES, AND STATE HOSPITAL DOWNSIZING. YOU MAY RECALL THAT LAST NOVEMBER WE BRIEFED THE BOARD ON THE PLANNING PROCESS FOR THE CRISIS SYSTEM FUNDING. WE HELD WORKSHOPS ON THE MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SYSTEM OF CARE WITH OUR VARIOUS STAKEHOLDERS TO INCLUDE PROVIDERS, CONSUMERS, AND WE ALSO HAD REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE CITY OF PORTLAND AS WELL AS THE POLICE BUREAU. DURING THE WORKSHOPS WE PRIORITIZED WHICH SERVICES TO FUND WITH EXISTING DOLLARS AND WHICH TO PRIORITIZE IN THE EVENT WE HAD EVEN MORE REDUCTIONS. AT THE BOARD BRIEFING WE WERE ASKED BY YOU ALL TO COME BACK WITH THE IDEAL MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM, AND SO WE HELD ANOTHER WORK SHOW WITH OUR STAKEHOLDERS AND ASKED EVERYONE TO DREAM BIG, WHICH IS A LOT MORE FUN THAN THE ALTERNATIVE. THIS IDEAL SYSTEM TAKES INTO ACCOUNT BEST PRACTICES, STAKEHOLDER AND PARTNER FEEDBACK, OUR SPECIFIC POPULATION, PREVALENCE OF ILLNESS & CUTE AND MANY YEARS OF INPUT FROM OUR CONSUMERS AND FAMILY MEMBERS. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE MANY CHALLENGES, MULTNOMAH COUNTY DOES HAVE A STRONG MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SYSTEM OF CARE BUT WE CERTAINLY HAVE GAPS AND COULD BENEFIT FROM EXPANSIONS IN KEY AREAS. TODAY WE WILL PRESENT OUR PROGRAMS, THE VARIOUS FUNDING SOURCES, HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE CURRENTLY BEING SERVED, THE UNMET NEED, AND OUR CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES. I WILL NOW TURN IT OVER TO YOU.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUSAN. GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DAVID HIDALGO. I'M OUR MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR MELT HEALTH ADDICTION SERVICES DIVISION. PLEASED TO BE HERE TODAY TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AS REQUESTED AND AS ADVERTISED AROUND THE MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES SYSTEM. WHAT I'LL TALK ABOUT SPECIFICALLY TODAY IS SOME ESTIMATES ABOUT HOW MANY PEOPLE MAY NEED CARE IN OUR SYSTEM, THE ACTUAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS SERVED, I'LL THEN TALK ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY SYSTEM OF CARE, AN IDEAL SYSTEM OF CARE, AND THEN AN UPDATE ON THE WORK THAT WE'RE DOING WITH PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU IN OUR ONGOING COLLABORATION. I'LL START WITH HOW MANY PEOPLE MAY NEED CARE IN OUR SYSTEM. WHAT WE DID AS WE CONTEMPLATED AN IDEAL SYSTEM WAS TO LOOK AT HISTORICAL DATA TO DETERMINE HOW MANY INDIVIDUALS MAY HAVE UNMET NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY. IN FY-10 WE WENT AHEAD AND USED A PREVALENCE FORMULA THAT ESTIMATED APPROXIMATELY 43,000 INDIVIDUALS IN OUR COMMUNITY WERE LIVING WITH MENTAL ILLNESS AND ALSO BELOW 200% OF THE POVERTY LEVEL. GIVEN THE MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES DIVISION IS A SAFETY NET PROVIDER FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES, WE FELT

THIS WAS A GOOD POPULATION FOR US TO LOOK AT. WHAT WE FOUND IS AN ESTIMATE OF APPROXIMATELY 31% OF WHAT WE KNEW, 31% OF INDIVIDUALS WERE SERVED OUT OF THAT POPULATION LEAVING AN APPROXIMATE UNMET NEED OF 69%. CERTAINLY SOUNDS LIKE A LARGE PERCENT OF UNMET NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND IT'S ALSO IMPORTANT TO KNOW THAT THAT SPANS ALL MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS AND ALL TYPES OF INTENSITY WHETHER FROM A VERY LOW LEVEL NEED SOMEBODY MIGHT HAVE FROM A CONNECTION FOR A CRISIS SERVICE TO INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MORE INTENSIVE NEED. THE FORMULA THAT WE USED WAS NOT VALID FOR ADDICTION SERVICES BUT WE WANTED TO MAKE SURE WE COULD STILL BRING YOU INFORMATION TODAY ABOUT UNMET NEED IN OUR ADDICTION SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY. IN FY-12 WE SERVED APPROXIMATELY 3500 INDIVIDUALS AND FROM A NATIONAL DRUG AND HEALTH STUDY THAT DOES PROVIDE LOCAL DATA, WE ESTIMATE THAT APPROXIMATELY 3200 INDIVIDUALS IN OUR COMMUNITY WANTED ADDICTIONS TREATMENT LAST YEAR BUT DID NOT RECEIVE IT. SOME OF THE REASONS PEOPLE MAY NOT RECEIVE TREATMENT, ONE, IS THAT ADDICTIONS TREATMENT IS VOLUNTARY. THE OTHER THING IS THAT IT MAY BE AN ISSUE OF COST FOR SOME INDIVIDUALS. COULD ALSO BE AN ISSUE OF CAPACITY IN OUR SYSTEM. SO WHILE PEOPLE MAY WANT SERVICES DIRECTLY, GIVEN THAT THEY ARE VOLUNTARY SOMETIMES THAT'S HARD TO TAKE THAT FIRST STEP TOWARDS RECOVERY, AND THEN THE ONLY INVOLUNTARY SERVICE IS REALLY IN THE ADDICTION SYSTEM ARE INDIVIDUALS CHARGED WITH A DUII.

>> CAN YOU EXPLAIN HOW THAT WORKS? DO WE HAVE A PRIORITIZATION OF PEOPLE WHO ARE LOOKING FOR SERVICES? DO WE HAVE A NO WRONG DOOR TYPE -- I DON'T EVEN KNOW HOW IT WORKS IF I'M A PERSON WHO NEEDS SERVICES OR I HAVE BEEN TOLD I NEED TO GET MY KIDS BACK I NEED TO BE IN TREATMENT.

>> YES. I WOULD BE HAPPY TO TALK ABOUT THAT. AS WE TALK ABOUT THE SYSTEM OF CARE ITSELF I MAY BE ABLE TO ANSWER THAT A LITTLE BIT BETTER. ONE THING I CAN SAY IS THERE IS A NO WRONG DOOR IN OUR SYSTEM. THERE ARE MULTIPLE ACCESS POINTS. THERE'S ALSO THE OPPORTUNITY, SAY, FOR SOMEBODY AS YOU DESCRIBE WHO MAY HAVE AN ISSUE AROUND HAVING THEIR KIDS IN THEIR OWN CUSTODY, COORDINATION ACTIVITIES THAT WE PROVIDE WITH THE COMMUNITY TO ENSURE PEOPLE GET INTO THE RIGHT TYPE OF CARE WHEN NECESSARY. I WOULD BE HAPPY TO TALK PORE ABOUT THAT WHEN WE TALK ABOUT THE SYSTEM OF CARE. SO NEXT WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO IS TALK ABOUT THE ACTUAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS THAT WE DID SERVE IN FY-12. ONE OF THE OTHER THINGS AS SUSAN MENTIONED TO OUR FUNDING SOURCES COME FROM PRIMARILY THREE DIFFERENT SPOTS. THAT IS MEDICAID FROM THE STATE, THAT IS THE OREGON HEALTH PLAN, COUNTY GENERAL FUND AND STATE GENERAL FUND. OF OUR TOTAL FUNDING APPROXIMATELY 44% IS MEDICAID, 17% IS COUNTY GENERAL FUND, AND 39% IS STATE GENERAL FUND MAKING UP THE TOTAL

FUNDS IN OUR SYSTEM. FOR SERVICES THERE WERE ACTUALLY PROVIDED IN OUR MEDICAID PROGRAM THAT IS NOW HEALTH SHARE OF OREGON, MULTNOMAH MENTAL HEALTH, FORMERLY KNOWN AT VERITY. WE SERVED 13,350 INDIVIDUALS IN THAT PROGRAM, BOTH CHILDREN AND ADULTS IN THAT SYSTEM. FOR OUR STATE AND COUNTY FUNDED ADDICTION SERVICES, THE ENTIRE SPECTRUM FROM GENERAL OUTPATIENT TO DETOX TO RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT SERVICES WE SERVED A DUPLICATED COUNT OF 13,100 INDIVIDUALS. THAT DUPLICATED COUNT MEANS THAT INDIVIDUALS MAY HAVE HAD MORE THAN ONE CONTACT IN OUR SYSTEM WHETHER THAT BE ENTERING FROM DETOX INTO RESIDENTIAL SERVICES OR OUTPATIENT SERVICES. THE NEXT AREA I WOULD LIKE TO COVER IS MULTNOMAH TREATMENT FUND.

>> CAN I INTERRUPT? IS IT POSSIBLE TO GET AN UNDUPLICATED COUNT?

>> WE COULD CERTAINLY SEE WHAT WE CAN DO TO GET ONE SO IT'S MORE COMPARABLE.

>> AND WE DID ESTIMATE OR WE SERVED 31.2% OF THE ESTIMATED 42,958, SO AT SOME POINT WE DO HAVE --

>> WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO GET THAT TO YOU. ABSOLUTELY. MULTNOMAH TREATMENT FUND IS AN ENTIRELY COUNTY GENERAL FUNDED PROGRAM THAT IS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE UNFUNDED, DO NOT HAVE INSURANCE, AND HAVE A NEED FOR INTENSIVE TREATMENT SERVICES IN OUR COMMUNITY. THAT PROGRAM COMBINES BOTH TREATMENT SERVICES PLUS MEDICATIONS. THE NEXT AREA IS OUR COUNTY FUNDED CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAMS. IN THAT PROGRAM WE SERVED APPROXIMATELY 700 INDIVIDUALS. THAT IS ENTIRELY COUNTY GENERAL FUND AS WELL. THOSE PROGRAMS ARE SPECIFIC PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS CULTURALLY SPECIFIC MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS FOR THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY, EASTERN EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, FOR OUR NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITY, LATINO COMMUNITY, AND ALSO FOR OUR ASIAN COMMUNITIES. IN OUR SUPPORTED AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAMS WE ALSO HAVE A DUPLICATED COUNT IN THAT AREA THAT'S APPROXIMATELY 521 INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE ABLE TO ACCESS SUPPORTED AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING, SIGNIFICANT IMPORTANT ELEMENT OF THE SYSTEM TO ENSURE SERVICES ARE EFFECTIVE FOR INDIVIDUALS. THEN OUR CRISIS SERVICES WE HAD A DUPLICATED COUNT OF APPROXIMATELY 72,568 INDIVIDUALS. THAT IS ALL SERVICES IN THE SYSTEM. THAT WOULD BE FROM MENTAL HEALTH CALL CENTER, URGENT WALK-IN, OUTREACH, RESPITE PROGRAM AND CRISIS ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT CENTER.

>> JUST TO EXPLAIN, WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF CHANGING FROM ONE DATA SYSTEM TO ANOTHER, SO WE'RE HAVING SOME CHALLENGES THAT I HOPE

WILL BE RESOLVED WITHIN THE NEXT TWO MONTHS. WHICH IS WHY YOU SEE DUPLICATION.

>> I STRUGGLED WITH THE DUPLICATED AND UNDUPLICATED.

>> IT WOULD BE NICE IF WE COULD HAVE THEM ALL VERY COMPARABLE SOME OF THE NUMBERS AND AN ESTIMATED ON SOME OF THE NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO MAY NEED CARE. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT IS THE CURRENT SYSTEM OF CARE. COMMISSIONER, I THINK THIS WILL GIVE A BETTER IDEA HOW PEOPLE GET INTO CARE. THE WAY WE REPRESENT THE SYSTEM OF CARE IS COMPONENTS THAT ARE INTERLOCKING PARTS THAT MAKE UP THE SYSTEM. THE REASON THAT WE REPRESENT THEM THIS WAY IS THAT THE INTERLOCKING PARTS, ANY CHANGES THAT YOU MAKE IN ONE PART OF THE SYSTEM WILL IMPACT ANOTHER PART OF THE SYSTEM. SO WE ALWAYS WANT TO SHOW THEM AS AN INTEGRATED SYSTEM SO THAT WE'RE WELL AWARE AS WE'RE MAKING CHOICES AROUND FUNDING AND DIFFERENT ACCESS TO SERVICES THAT WE'RE AWARE WHERE THE IMPACT MAY BE IN OTHER PARTS OF THE SYSTEM. THE OTHER THING THAT EACH OF THESE COMPONENTS HAS BOTH A FRONT AND BACK DOOR. SO INDIVIDUALS CAN ACCESS TREATMENT SERVICES IN ANY ONE OF THESE COMPONENTS IN THE SYSTEM WHETHER THAT BE CRISIS SERVICES PREVENTION SERVICES OR SUPPORTED HOUSING THROUGH A FRONT DOOR IN THAT PART OF THE SYSTEM AND THEN MOVE TO THE NECESSARY TREATMENT THAT THEY NEED FOR THEIR OWN INDIVIDUAL NEEDS AND THEN HOPEFULLY MOVE FORWARD, GET STABILIZED AND MOVE TO RECOVERY SUPPORTS. THE OTHER IMPORTANT ELEMENT IS THAT IT'S NOT A LINEAR PROCESS. PEOPLE DON'T ENTER ONE AREA, ONE BOX HERE, THEN MOVE TO THE NEXT AND DOWN TO THE NEXT BOX. SO BASED ON INDIVIDUAL NEED, PEOPLE CAN ACCESS ANYWHERE IN THE SYSTEM AND THEN THERE'S A BACK DOOR BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY WITH RECOVERY SUPPORTS AND NATURAL RESOURCES. DOES THAT ANSWER A BIT OF HOW PEOPLE MAY COME IN TO THE SYSTEM?

>> I'M ACTUALLY LOOKING FOR MORE SPECIFICALLY THAT -- WHEN YOU HAVE THAT LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT ARE NOT BEING SERVED HOW DO WE MAKE THE DECISION OF WHO DOES GET SERVICES? IS IT BECAUSE -- MORE FIRST COME FIRST SERVE? DO WE HAVE A PRIORITIZATION? IS IT DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS THAT WE WORK WITH HAVE A DIFFERENT NUMBER OF SLOTS AVAILABLE, ALL OF THE ABOVE?

>> I THINK ALL OF THE ABOVE IN SOME WAY, THAT FOR INDIVIDUALS ON MEDICAID PROGRAM THOSE INDIVIDUALS HAVE AN IS SENDINGS BENEFIT, A BENEFIT THAT THEY ARE ABLE TO ACCESS, SO BASED ON A DIAGNOSIS, BASED ON A QUALIFIED CONDITION THROUGH THE STATE INDIVIDUALS THROUGH MEDICAID CAN ACCESS SERVICES. INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE IN OUR OWN SHORT PROGRAMS THROUGH THE COUNTY WE DO PRIORITIZE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE MOST VULNERABLE WITH THE HIGHEST NEED SO THE

TREATMENT FUND IS DIRECTLY SET FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE THE MOST CHRONIC MENTAL HEALTH SYMPTOMS AND ARE ALSO ACCESSING THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF CARE IN OUR COMMUNITY. IN OUR ADDICTIONS PROGRAM, CERTAINLY HIGH LEVEL OF NEED IS PRIORITIZED BUT ALSO INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE ACCESSING SERVICE FIRST COME BASIS AS WELL. SO WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO IS WALK THROUGH A COUPLE OF THE EXAMPLES, FOR THE COMPONENTS IN THE SYSTEM. WHAT I'LL DO IS START WITH THE FRONT END OF SERVICES SO A SPOT WHERE PEOPLE MAY GET ACCESS TO CARE THAT IS INEFFICIENT WAY TO PROVIDE SERVICES IN OUR COMMUNITY. PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION, THOSE PROGRAMS ARE PROGRAMS THAT WE OFFER SUCH AS EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES WHERE WE HAVE MENTAL HEALTH CONSULTANTS PLACED IN HEADSTART PROGRAMS WORKING WITH YOUNG CHILDREN, EARLY SCREENING, IDENTIFICATION, WORKING WITH FAMILIES FOR STABILITY TO AVOID DHS PLACEMENTS AND IDENTIFY OTHER RISKS FOR THE FAMILY. THAT IS ALSO PROGRAMS LIKE OUR ESSA PROGRAM, EARLY PSYCHOSIS PROGRAM, TARGETED TO INDIVIDUALS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 15 AND 25. THAT STAVES OFF LONGER TERM CONSEQUENCES FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY HAVE MORE CHRONIC CONDITIONS. OTHER PREVENTION PROGRAMS IN OUR ADDICTIONS AREA ARE PROGRAMS IN OUR PUBLIC HOUSING PROGRAMS, COLLABORATION WITH HOME FORWARD WHERE WE'RE PROVIDING AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR AT RISK YOUTH. THE NEXT COMPONENT OF THE SYSTEM IS THE CRISIS SYSTEM, AND CRISIS SERVICES REALLY CROSS THE FRONT PART OF THE SYSTEM, MIDDLE PART THAT MORE TREATMENT ORIENTED PART, THEN THE BACK DOOR RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES. CRISIS SERVICES CURRENTLY IN THE COMMUNITY AS I MENTIONED, MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS CENTER, 24 HOUR MENTAL HEALTH OUTREACH, RESPITE PROGRAMS AS WELL AS THE CRISIS AND TREATMENT CENTER. AS WE LOOK TO THE TOP OF THE GRID THE ORANGE BOX AND GREEN BOX, THAT IS GENERAL OUTPATIENT TREATMENT SERVICES. THOSE ARE SERVICES THAT MAY BE SHORTER TERM IN NATURE. THEY ARE LOWER LEVEL SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY HAVE LOW TO MODERATE NEED WHO CAN GET THEIR NEEDS MET AND HOPEFULLY MOVE BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY ACCESSING OTHER RECOVERY SUPPORTS IF NECESSARY OR THEY MAY WELL HAVE THEIR CONDITIONS AND SYMPTOMS WELL ADDRESSED IN THAT LOW LEVEL PART OF SERVICES. THE NEXT AREA I WOULD TALK ABOUT WOULD BE IN THE MIDDLE INTENSIVE COMMUNITY TREATMENT SERVICES. THAT'S A STEP UP CERTAINLY FROM GENERAL OUTPATIENT SERVICES IN BOTH OUR MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SIDE. THOSE SERVICES ARE SERVICES THAT ARE MORE SPECIALIZED. THEY MAY BE TARGETED AT SPECIFIC INDIVIDUALS SUCH AS INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE HIGH USE OF HOSPITAL OR INDIVIDUALS WHO COME IN CONTACT WITH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM WHO HAVE A MORE SPECIALIZED NEED, SPECIALIZED APPROACH TO ENSURE THAT THEY GET STABILIZED AND CAN MOVE THROUGH THE SYSTEM INTO RECOVERY AND ACCESS RECOVERY SUPPORT, BACK DOOR OF THE SYSTEM. THOSE SERVICES ARE ALL COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES THAT I HAVE DISCUSSED THUS FAR. NEXT WE

WOULD STEP UP TO FACILITY BASED SERVICES. THOSE ARE OUR RESIDENTIAL SERVICES IN BOTH MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS SIDE OF THE PROGRAM. MANY OF THOSE SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE TO INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE A HIGHER LEVEL OF NEED, PEOPLE WITH MORE CHRONIC CONDITIONS WHO MAY NEED 24 HOUR SUPERVISION AND SUPPORT. ON THE MENTAL HEALTH SIDE WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY 380 LICENSED RESIDENTIAL BEDS IN THE COMMUNITY. ON OUR ADDICTION SIDE WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY 200 RESIDENTIAL SLOTS AVAILABLE FOR THE COMMUNITY. THEN TWO OTHER KEY COMPONENTS, SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, CERTAINLY THAT'S A SERVICE THAT COMES -- CAN COME AT THE BEGINNING OF SOMEONE ACCESSING THE SYSTEM WHILE THEY ARE IN TREATMENT IN THE MIDDLE PORTION OR TOWARD THE END WHEN SOMEONE NEEDS LONG TERM SUPPORT AND STABILITY. SUPPORTIVE HOUSING IS SHOWN TO BE EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH MULTI-DIMENSIONAL AND COMPLEX NEEDS WHERE YOU CAN PROVIDE 24 HOUR SUPPORT ON SITE SUPERVISION AND SKILLS TRAINING TO ASSIST INDIVIDUALS IN GETTING TO FURTHER INDEPENDENCE SO THEY CAN MOVE FORWARD IN THE COMMUNITY AND PARTICIPATE IN OTHER RECOVERY SERVICES. RECOVERY SUPPORTS, THOSE ARE SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMS TO ENSURE THAT PEOPLE WHO GET WELL CAN STAY WELL. IN THE ADDICTION SIDE OF THE WORLD, FOR DECADES THOUSANDS OF INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN USING 12-STEP PROGRAMS, PEER SUPPORTED PROGRAMS, PROGRAMS THAT HELP PEOPLE STAY WELL. ALSO PREVENT FURTHER RELAPSE AND ENSURE PEOPLE CAN STAY STABLE IN THE COMMUNITY. IN THE MENTAL HEALTH SIDE OF SERVICES WE HAVE PROGRAMS SUCH AS OUR SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT, PIER DELIVERED THAT PROVIDES INDIVIDUALS WITH JOBS, COMPETITIVE EMPLOYMENT AND LONGER TERM STABILITY MOVING PEOPLE TOWARDS INDEPENDENCE AND ENSURING THAT THEY CAN PAY FOR THEIR OWN HOUSING AS OPPOSED TO CONTINUING TO BE IN SUPPORTED HOUSING THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY.

>> WHEN WE TALK ABOUT COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, THIS IS WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. THERE ARE 380 BEDS, IS THAT WHAT YOU SAID?

>> LICENSED RESIDENTIAL BEDS IN THE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM.

>> CORRECT. THAT DOESN'T INCLUDE SUPPORTED HOUSING.

>> THOSE ARE LICENSED RESIDENTIAL BEDS, YOU'RE RIGHT, NOT SUPPORTED HOUSING.

>> HOW MANY SUPPORTED HOUSING --

>> IN SUPPORTED HOUSING I CAN GET THE ACTUAL NUMBER. I KNOW THAT IN OUR MENTAL HEALTH SIDE I BELIEVE WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY 200. I CAN --

IN FACT WE HAVE OUR MANAGER FOR COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM WHO MAY BE ABLE TO VERIFY THAT.

>> ARE THESE BEING USED TO CAPACITY CURRENTLY?

>> LY TELL YOU THAT HOUSING COMES AT A PREMIUM IN OUR COMMUNITY, THAT GIVEN WHERE WE'RE AT FOR HOMELESSNESS AND THE STATE OF OREGON WE HAVE RISEN TO THE TOP OF THE LIST ONCE AGAIN IN TERMS OF HOMELESSNESS THAT WE FIND HOUSING IS A PRIMARY NEED FOR INDIVIDUALS IN OUR COMMUNITY. AS WE TALK ABOUT SERVICES, WE CAN HAVE THE MOST EFFECTIVE SERVICES THAT BASED ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY THAT WE KNOW THAT HELP PEOPLE, HOWEVER IF PEOPLE'S BASIC NEEDS ARE NOT ADDRESSED THOSE SERVICES MAY NOT BE MOST EFFECTIVE.

>> DO WE IDENTIFY OUR VETERANS, MILITARY COMING THROUGH, SO THEY ARE IMMEDIATELY CONNECTED WITH THE V.A. AND THE SERVICES THAT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO?

>> YOU KNOW, I DO KNOW OUR CONTRACTORS, THAT IS ONE OF THE THINGS THEY DO ASSESS IF INDIVIDUALS HAVE SERVICE CONNECTION, IF THEY ARE ABLE TO ACCESS VETERANS ADMINISTRATION SERVICES. IN FACT THE V.A. HAS PUT RECENTLY AN INTEGRATED CLINIC IN THE HEART OF DOWNTOWN SO WE KNOW THERE'S BETTER COORDINATION WITH OUR SERVICE PROVIDERS IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA RIGHT NOW TOO. THAT'S AN AREA THAT I THINK WE COULD CERTAINLY IMPROVE AND CONTINUE TO ENSURE PEOPLE ARE REALLY GETTING THE FULL BENEFIT OF V.A. SERVICES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO THEM.

>> SO IF SOMEONE COMES INTO OUR SYSTEM ARE WE ASKING THEM, DO YOU HAVE MILITARY SERVICE? SO WE'RE IDENTIFYING THEM?

>> ON A REGULAR BASIS I WOULD SAY OUR PROVIDERS SHOULD BE ASKING THOSE QUESTIONS, DETERMINING THE HISTORY OF WHERE AN INDIVIDUAL HAS BEEN, THEN ALSO ENSURING THAT IF THEY HAVE ACCESS TO OTHER BENEFITS THEY CAN ACCESS THOSE THROUGH THE COUNTY ITSELF AND DCHS, WE ALSO HAVE A VETERANS SERVICES COORDINATOR IN OUR BUILDING.

>>> NOW THAT WE HAVE LOOKED AT THE CURRENT SYSTEM OF CARE, AND TALKED ABOUT SOME OF THE SERVICES THAT ARE AVAILABLE, WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO TALK ABOUT IS AN IDEAL SYSTEM OF CARE. IN IDEAL SYSTEM OF CARE IS A SYSTEM THAT HAS A COMPREHENSIVE SET OF SERVICES, A COMPREHENSIVE SET AND A FULL CONTINUUM OF SERVICES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE WELL FUNDED AND BALANCED AND BY BALANCED I MEAN THE FRAMEWORK THAT WE TALKED ABOUT, HAVING

EQUITABLE INVESTMENT IN THE FRONT END OF THE SYSTEM, IN PREVENTION, EARLY INTERVENTION ACTIVITIES, IN THE MIDDLE PORTION, THE TREATMENT PORTION AND ALSO IN THE RECOVERY SUPPORT PORTION OF THESE SYSTEM. IT'S ALSO A SYSTEM, AN IDEAL SYSTEM IS CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE TO THE DIVERSE TEASE OF THE COMMUNITY, THAT IS FOCUSED ON WELLNESS, RECOVERY, AND COMMUNITY INTEGRATION. BY COMMUNITY INTEGRATION I MEAN PROVIDING SERVICES THAT AUGMENT TREATMENT SUCH AS HOUSING, SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION, AND ACTIVITIES THAT INCLUDE RECOVERY SUPPORTS AND SOCIAL INCLUSION. SO THAT CERTAINLY IS SYSTEM OF THE HALLMARK OF AN IDEAL SYSTEM. WHAT I CAN SAY AND SUSAN NOTED IS THAT WE HAVE AN EXCELLENT FOUNDATION IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY FOR AN IDEAL SYSTEM OF CARE. AS WE THOUGHT ABOUT SOME OF THE SERVICES AND COMPONENTS THAT WE COULD IMPROVE AND EXPAND IN OUR SYSTEM, WE DEVELOPED A LIST, THE LIST THAT WE HAVE ON THE SLIDE, KEY AREAS TO EXPAND IS NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST, WE HAVE A FULL LIST AND WOULD BE HAPPY TO SHARE IT WITH YOU. BUT WHAT I CAN TELL YOU, YOU CAN SEE SERVICES START TO SETTLE OUT IN VERY DISCRETE CATEGORIES THAT WE HAVE DISCUSSED AS COMPONENTS THAT CURRENTLY EXIST IN OUR SYSTEM. SO PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES. WE DO BELIEVE THAT EXPANDING AND PROVIDING MORE SERVICES AT THE FRONT END OF THE SYSTEM WOULD BE BENEFICIAL. IT'S A COST EFFECTIVE WAY TO PROVIDE SERVICES. ONE AREA SUICIDE PREVENTION, FOR EXAMPLE, ON THAT LIST. WE HAVE TRAINED OVER THE PAST APPROXIMATELY FIVE YEARS, 7500 INDIVIDUALS IN OUR COMMUNITY WITH SOME FORM OF SUICIDE PREVENTION TRAINING TO HELP IDENTIFY INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY BE AT RISK. WE BELIEVE THAT IS AN IMPORTANT INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION PROGRAM THAT WE SHOULD BE CONTINUING TO EXPAND AND SUPPORT FOR INDIVIDUALS AT RISK FOR SUICIDE IN OUR COMMUNITY. ANOTHER AREA IS THE EARLY ASSESSMENT AND SUPPORT ALLIANCE, ESA PROGRAM. IN THAT PROGRAM ONCE AGAIN THAT'S TARGETED FOR TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH AGE 15 TO 25. ONE OF THE STELLAR OUT COMES OF THAT PROGRAM IS YOUNG ADULTS WHO ARE ADMITTED INTO THAT PROGRAM WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF BEING CONNECTED TO THE PROGRAM, HAVE A 90% REDUCTION IN HOSPITALIZATION. THAT IS AN EXCELLENT OUTCOME THAT PRESERVES UNITY FOR FAMILIES, PROVIDES STABILITY FOR THE YOUNG ADULT AND ENSURES THAT THEY CAN GET BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY DOING WHAT THEY LIKE TO DO, ATTENDING SCHOOL, PLAYING IN ROCK BANDS, AND ENJOYING OTHER ACTIVITIES THAT ANY YOUNG ADULT WOULD BE DOING IN THEIR LIVES.

>>> THE MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS SERVICES WHILE WE DO HAVE A ROBUST SYSTEM OF CRISIS SERVICES CURRENTLY IN OUR COMMUNITY, WE DO KNOW THERE IS INCREASE IN DEMAND FOR MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS SERVICES, AND WE DO BELIEVE THERE ARE SOME STRATEGIC THINGS THAT CAN BE DONE. WE DO HAVE ONE CENTRALIZED URGENT WALK-IN CLINIC IN THE CORE OF PORTLAND OR IN SOUTHEAST. THAT IS SOUTHEAST 43rd AND DIVISION.

KNOWING MANY OF THE INDIVIDUALS THAT WE ARE SERVING ARE MOVING TOWARDS THE EASTERN PART OF OUR COUNTY WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT TO CONSIDER AN URGENT WALK-IN CLINIC FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE IN THE EASTERN PART OF OUR COUNTY AS WELL.

>>> MOBILE CRISIS. THAT'S AN EXCELLENT RESOURCE THAT IS 24 HOURS THAT CAN COME OUT TO INDIVIDUALS IN OUR COMMUNITY, PEOPLE DON'T HAVE TO COME SPECIFICALLY TO AN OFFICE. THEY ARE ABLE TO DO FOLLOW-UP. THEY DO COORDINATION, SO IF THEY COME IN CONTACT WITH SOMEBODY WHO HAS A NEED THEY ARE ABLE TO HELP COORDINATE THESE SERVICES THAT ARE NECESSARY INTO THE REST OF THE SYSTEM OF CARE. ANOTHER PROGRAM THAT WE BELIEVE COULD BE VERY IMPORTANT IS A PROGRAM THAT IS KNOWN AS A 23-HOUR BED PROGRAM. THESE ARE PROGRAMS THAT ARE ALTERNATIVES TO HOSPITAL. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT AS WE HAVE CONDUCTED OUR WORK WITH PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU WE KNOW THAT THEY ARE VERY INTERESTED IN HAVING A SECURE POLICE DROP-OFF PROGRAM. THAT WOULD CERTAINLY FALL IN THE REALM OF CRISIS SERVICES. WE DO HAVE SOME EXPERIENCE WITH POLICE DROP-OFF PROGRAMS. WE DID HAVE A DROP-OFF PROGRAM IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY THAT WAS IN THE LATE '90s. THAT PROGRAM CLOSED IN EARLY 2000, AND WE DO KNOW THERE ARE SOME THINGS THAT ARE POSITIVE ABOUT THOSE PROGRAMS. THERE'S ALSO SOME CHALLENGES THOSE PROGRAMS PRESENT IN TERMS OF MANAGING ALL OF THE CONDITIONS THAT COME FORWARD WHEN THERE IS A DROP-OFF PROGRAM IN THE COMMUNITY. BUT WHAT WE DO KNOW IS IF YOU JUST CREATE A DROP-OFF PROGRAM AND DON'T HAVE SOME TYPE OF SERVICE ASSOCIATED WITH TO BE ABLE TO ASSESS INDIVIDUALS AND TO ENSURE THAT YOU CAN HELP THEM STABILIZE BRIEFLY, THEN MOVE THEM TO SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY, WHAT YOU CREATE IS ANOTHER RECYCLING AND REVOLVING DOOR. IT'S A DROP-OFF PROGRAM IF PEOPLE CAN'T GET INTO CARE SUBSEQUENTLY IF THERE AREN'T BACK-END SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS, THEN PEOPLE WILL BE PICKED UP BY THE POLICE AND GO BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY, THEY WILL BE BROUGHT BACK TO THE DROP-OFF PROGRAM. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WOULD BE VERY IMPORTANT IS TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE SOME ABILITY TO STABILIZE INDIVIDUALS IN A PROGRAM LIKE THAT AND HAVE FUNDING FOR BACK END TREATMENT SERVICES AS WELL. IN THE AREA OF INTENSIVE COMMUNITY SERVICES, THESE SERVICES ONCE AGAIN ARE OFTEN TARGETED FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE SPECIALIZED NEED OR WHOSE NEEDS HAVE NOT BEEN BEST MET IN THE GENERAL TREATMENT SYSTEM. AS YOU LOOK AT THE LIST, FORENSIC ASSERT IMCOMMUNITY TEAMS, MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS, DIVERSION PROGRAMS, YOU CAN SEE THAT PART OF OUR FOCUS IS ON INDIVIDUALS WHO COME IN CONTACT WITH COMMUNITY JUSTICE, WITH OUR JAIL SYSTEM, AND ALSO WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT. WHAT WE KNOW IS THAT PROGRAMS THAT HAVE SPECIFIC EXPERTISE IN WORKING WITH INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE COME IN CONTACT WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COMMUNITY JUSTICE DO HAVE BETTER OUT COMES. IT'S NOT TO SAY THAT OUR GENERAL

PROVIDERS IN THE COMMUNITY RIGHT NOW AREN'T DOING THE BEST THEY CAN WITH THESE POPULATIONS, BUT IT REALLY IS A SPECIFIC POPULATION. THERE ARE SPECIFIC STRATEGIES AND TREATMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO PRESENT BOTH WITH SOME FORENSIC NEED AS WELL AS MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AND ADDICTIONS ISSUES. ANOTHER PROGRAM ON THE INTENSIVE SERVICE IS LOW INTENSITY RESIDENTIAL ADDICTIONS TREATMENT. EXPANDING WHAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE IN THE COMMUNITY, WHICH IS AN EXPENSIVE RESOURCE, OF COURSE, THAT IS RESIDENTIAL ADDICTIONS TREATMENT, THERE CERTAINLY ARE WAYS TO PROVIDE THAT IN A MORE COST EFFECTIVE MANNER AND HAVE GREATER CAPACITY TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MORE CHRONIC ADDICTION OR MORE SEVERE ADDICTION. THAT WOULD BE AN AREA THAT WE WOULD ALSO HIGHLIGHT.

>> THAT'S LOW INTENSITY?

>> YES. HIGH INTENSITY WOULD BE THE FULL PROGRAM THAT IS STAFFED 24 HOURS A DAY. IS FACILITY BASED. IT COULD BE THAT LOW INTENSITY COULD BE MOVED TO A MORE COMMUNITY BASED PROGRAM SUCH AS A GROUP HOME TYPE SETTING THAT STILL HAS SOME STAFF BUT DOESN'T REQUIRE THE SAME COMPONENTS OF A FACILITY BASED PROGRAM WITH ALL THE STAFFING AND ALL THE OVERHEAD THAT YOU NEED TO PROVIDE SERVICES. THE OTHER IDEA IS THAT INDIVIDUALS ALSO CAN GO TODAY TREATMENT SERVICES DURING THE DAY. THAT'S ANOTHER WAY TO MAKE IT MORE COST EFFECTIVE BUT YOU DON'T HAVE 24 HOUR STAFF IN THOSE PROGRAMS.

>> IT ALSO PHRASES THE QUESTION, WHICH IS THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN YOUR SERVICES AND HOUSING. BECAUSE I WOULD GUESS THAT LOW INTENSITY RESIDENTIAL ADDICTION TREATMENT MAY SCOOP UP PEOPLE WHO OTHERWISE ARE WITHOUT HOUSING.

>> ABSOLUTELY SO. WE ALSO DO HAVE OUR ADDICTIONS MANAGER WITH US. IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD ON THAT?

>> LOW INTENSITY RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT WILL SHORTEN LENGTHS OF STAY IN A RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM, SO OUR RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS HAVE WAIT LISTS OF FOUR TO SIX WEEKS IN MANY CASES. MANY OF THOSE PEOPLE ARE HOMELESS AND NEED SERVICES THE MOST. SO WHILE IT'S HARD TO BUILD NEW CAPACITY FOR RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT IF WE CAN GET SHORTEN LENGTHS OF STAY WE CAN REDUCE THE WAIT LISTS AND GET PEOPLE THROUGH QUICKER.

>> THANKS. APPRECIATE IT.

>>> ONCE AGAIN SUPPORTED HOUSING, THAT IS A RESOURCE THAT WE DO NEED MORE OF IN OUR COMMUNITY. SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAMS THAT

WE DO HAVE PROGRAMS SUCH AS BRIDGEVIEW, ROYAL PALM, THEY ARE EXCELLENT PROGRAMS. THEY HAVE EXCELLENT OUT COMES. THEY HAVE SERVICES ON SITE 24/7 TO ASSIST PEOPLE GETTING INTO RECOVERY. THEY ARE SUCCESSFUL AT GETTING INDIVIDUALS INTO THE COMMUNITY INTO MORE INDEPENDENT SETTINGS. WE CERTAINLY KNOW THAT IT'S A RESOURCE THAT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO HAVE MORE OF FOR THE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE MORE COMPLEX AND HAVE MORE CHRONIC NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY.

>>> THE OTHER POPULATION INDIVIDUALS COMING DIRECTLY OUT OF STATE HOSPITAL. THAT'S A POPULATION THAT WE KNOW WE COULD HAVE MORE SUPPORTED HOUSING FOR TO HAVE THEM STABILIZED IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND HAVE A BETTER EXPERIENCE TRANSITIONING BACK INTO MULTNOMAH COUNTY. ANOTHER PROGRAM, THE OXFORD AND OXFORD-LIKE HOUSING PROGRAM. THE BENEFIT OF THESE PROGRAMS ARE THAT THERE IS IN ESSENCE AN INVESTMENT FROM ALL INDIVIDUALS WHO LIVE IN THE HOME. SIMILAR TO A CO-OP. PEER SUPPORT TO EACH OTHER. TRADITIONALLY THEY HAVE BEEN CLEAN AND SOBER HOMES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH ADDICTION DISORDERS. THEY ARE COST EFFECTIVE AND TOLLS CREATE NATURAL RESOURCES FOR SUPPORT AS INDIVIDUALS RECOVER IN OUR COMMUNITY. THERE ARE TWO OTHER AREAS THAT WE HAVE ON OUR LIST THAT ARE IMPORTANT WE BELIEVE TO AN IDEAL SYSTEM OF CARE. THAT'S CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SERVICES. IT'S ESSENTIAL TO HAVE SERVICES THAT DO MEET THE RACIAL AND ETHNIC NEEDS OF INDIVIDUALS THAT WE ARE SERVING IN AN EVER DIVERSE COMMUNITY. WHAT WE DO KNOW IS THAT HAVING CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SERVICES DO HELP US ADDRESS THE DISPARITIES THAT EXIST CURRENTLY IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR THOSE WHO ARE UNDERSERVED. THE OTHER AREA ARE PEER SERVICES. PEER SERVICES ARE PROGRAMS AGAIN THAT HAVE BEEN COMMON IN THE ADDICTION SIDE OF THE WORLD FOR QUITE SOME TIME. AGAIN, 12-STEP TYPE PROGRAMS, MENTORING PROGRAMS IN THE MENTAL HEALTH SIDE OF THE WORLD, CERTAINLY WE KNOW THAT PEER PROGRAMS CAN BE VERY EFFECTIVE, HAVING INDIVIDUALS WITH A LIVED EXPERIENCE SUPPORT YOU, HELP YOU, BE ABLE TO COACH YOU, THAT IS AN EXPERIENCE THAT A PROFESSIONAL CAN'T IN THE SAME WAY PROVIDE. THEY ARE COST EFFECTIVE. ALSO WE DO HAVE SOME OF THOSE PROGRAMS CURRENTLY IN OUR COMMUNITY. THE SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM THAT IS RUN THROUGH NOMI, A PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES COMPETITIVE JOB EMPLOYMENT AND ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY TO MOVE TOWARDS RECOVERY, HAVE LONGER TERM STABILITY. WE ALSO HAVE A PEER BROKERAGE IN THE COMMUNITY THAT ASSISTS INDIVIDUALS IN THEIR RECOVERY TREATMENT PLANNING, HELPS THEM LOCATE HOUSING OPTIONS AS WELL. THOSE ARE ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS AGAIN THAT REALLY CAN PROVIDE VERY COST EFFECTIVE WAY FOR US TO MEET THE NEEDS OF INDIVIDUALS AS THEY MOVE TOWARDS RECOVERY AND SO ONCE AGAIN TO HELP PEOPLE WHO ARE WELL STAY WELL. SO THAT WOULD BE THE OVERVIEW OF WHAT WE WOULD SAY WOULD BE AN IDEAL SYSTEM, WAYS

THAT WE COULD CREATE A SYSTEM THAT WOULD HELP PEOPLE GET WELL AND STAY WELL AND PREVENT ILLNESS. IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER THAT.

>> IT WOULD BE HELPFUL -- I REALIZE THAT A RANGE OF DOLLAR AMOUNTS WOULD HAVE FUNDING AMOUNTS ALONG WITH THESE CATEGORIES SO WE KNOW WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT. I'M ALSO CURIOUS IF THEY ARE IN PRIORITY ORDER BOTH WITHIN CATEGORIES AND -- THE CATEGORIES AND WITHIN THE CATEGORIES.

>> WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO BRING THAT TO YOU. I CAN TELL YOU THE TOTAL PRICE TAG FOR THE LIST WE ESTIMATED WAS APPROXIMATELY \$41.5 MILLION. WE HAVE THOSE PROGRAMS LISTED OUT BY COST SO WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO PROVIDE THAT. IN TERMS OF PRIORITY, THEY ARE NOT EXACTLY IN PRIORITY LISTING BUT WE CERTAINLY CAN HAVE THE LIST IN A PRIORITIZED WAY. WHAT I WOULD SAY IN TERMS OF OUR PRIORITY SUPPORTED HOUSING RISES TO THE TOP. ONCE AGAIN, IF WE CAN'T HELP PEOPLE MEET BASIC NEEDS, TREATMENT SERVICES ARE NOT AS EFFECTIVE. SO SUPPORTED HOUSING RISES TO THE TOP. PEER PROGRAMS WHILE WE DO HAVE AN INFRASTRUCTURE FOR SOME PEER PROGRAMS WE DO KNOW THAT WE WOULD BENEFIT FROM EXPANDING THOSE IN THE COMMUNITY. ONCE AGAIN THEY ARE COST EFFECTIVE. WE KNOW THAT THEY HAVE VERY GOOD OUT COMES. I BELIEVE IN OUR COMMUNITY IT'S A GOOD TIME TO EXPAND AND ENSURE THAT INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE A LIVED EXPERIENCE CAN PROVIDE THE BEST SERVICES AND SUPPORT TO THOSE WHO NEED THOSE.

>>> THE NEXT AREA WOULD BE INTENSIVE TREATMENT SERVICES. SO ONCE AGAIN, BEING ABLE TO TARGET SPECIFIC INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE USING A LOT OF RESOURCE IN OUR COMMUNITY. THERE ARE OFTEN IN OUR HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS A SMALL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS USING A LARGE AMOUNT OF RESOURCE, INVESTING IN INTENSIVE TREATMENT SERVICES PROGRAMS IS THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE WAY TO MEAD MEET THOSE NEEDS AND BRING DOWN COSTS TO PROVIDE ACCESS FOR OTHER INDIVIDUALS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

>>> THE LAST AREA WOULD BE CRISIS SERVICES THAT CRISIS SERVICES AGAIN WE DO HAVE A VERY EXCELLENT INFRASTRUCTURE, HOWEVER WE KNOW THERE'S INCREASED DEMAND AND NEED ACROSS OUR COMMUNITY AND ACROSS THE LARGE AREA OF OUR COMMUNITY FROM THE CORE OF DOWNTOWN TO NORTH NORTHEAST, SOUTHEAST AND OUTER EAST COUNTY. THAT WOULD BE ANOTHER AREA WE WOULD SUGGEST LOOKING AT.

>> DAVID -- [AUDIO NOT UNDERSTANDABLE]

>> REALLY FULL LINE OF SORT OF EXPLORATION TO START TO PRIORITIZE, LISTENING TO YOU TALK IT DOES SEEM THERE'S A RELATION HERE, A

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE DUPLICATED SERVICES AND THAT POPULATION THAT CHURNS INSIDE THE SYSTEM AND HOW WE ARE ABLE TO PRIORITIZE OUR -- I KNOW THE UNIVERSE WANTS TO EXPAND, BUT I ALSO KNOW THAT THERE'S THIS THING CALLED RECOVERY MODEL, AND IF WE WERE TO HAVE AN ADEQUATE TIME FRAME TO COMMIT RESOURCES LIKE THE COMMISSIONER'S QUESTIONS SORT OF VIEWED ON -- IN A CHRONOLOGICAL ASPECT OF, WE'RE WILLING TO MAKE MORE THAN A SINGLE YEAR COMMITMENT, SO THAT WE'RE NOT KIND OF FEEDING THE CRISIS SYSTEM WITH INSUFFICIENT HOUSING, INSUFFICIENT PEER PROGRAMS OR INSUFFICIENT INTENSIVE TREATMENT BECAUSE IT DOES SEEM TO ME THAT YOU STARTED TO DEFINE A BIT OF THAT. SO THAT'S THE CAPSTONE KIND OF OR WHICH ONE OF THESE PIECES IS THE KEY, WHICH IF WE REALLY FOCUS ON THIS OVER TIME, WE WILL BEGIN TO SEE FEWER FAMILIAR FACES.

>> I THINK IT'S AN EXCELLENT ARTICULATION OF MOVING TO AN IDEAL SYSTEM, A SYSTEM THAT REALLY DOES HAVE THE WELL BALANCED FUNDING SECTIONS, THE FRONT END, ALSO THE TREATMENT END SO WE CAN ENSURE PEOPLE WHO HAVE CONTACT WITH OUR CRISIS SYSTEM AREN'T JUST RUNNING THROUGH OUR CRISIS SYSTEM BUT CAN ACTUALLY GET CARE AND THERE'S A GOOD INVESTMENT IN RECOVERY SERVICES, RECOVERY MODEL BECAUSE WHAT WE KNOW IS PREVENTION DOES WORK. TREATMENT IS EFFECTIVE. PEOPLE RECOVER. SO THAT WOULD BE A VERY GOOD WAY FOR US TO BE ABLE TO ENSURE THAT INDIVIDUALS ARE NOT CYCLING THROUGH THE SYSTEM AS WE LOOK AT SOME OF THE DUPLICATED COUNTS.

>> IF I COULD HAVE A STATEMENT TO THAT, I HEAR WHAT YOU'RE SAYING. SO WHAT THE EXCITING PART ABOUT THE CONVERSATIONS THAT ARE OCCURRING RIGHT NOW WITH HEALTH TRANSFORMATION IS THE WAY I PUT IT IS THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF DIFFERENT SYSTEMS DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB WITHIN THEIR EXPERTISE, BUT WHAT WE HAVE LACKED IS THE CROSS-OVER. I THINK THAT'S THE TERM YOU'RE REFERRING TO, THE SAME FACES THAT CROP UP IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE SYSTEM. NOT ONLY ARE WE TRYING TO ASSURE THAT THERE IS THE FULL CONTINUUM OF SERVICES, THE PERSON IS GETTING THE RIGHT LEVEL OF SERVICE AT THE TIME THEY NEED IT IN THEIR LIFE. THAT ISN'T LINEAR. IF SOMEBODY NEEDS HIGH INTENSIVE SERVICE THEY DON'T NECESSARILY GET SIX MONTHS AND THEN GO TO A LOW LEVEL AND THEN THEY ARE ON THEIR LIFE RUNNING FOR PRESIDENT OR SOMETHING OF THAT SORT. SO PEOPLE COME IN AND OUT OF THE SYSTEM DEPENDING ON WHAT THEIR LEVEL OF NEED IS AT THAT MOMENT. SO THAT'S WHY WE'RE LOOKING AT WHAT IS THE IDEAL SYSTEM OF CARE. SOMEBODY MAY ONLY NEED PEER SERVICES APPEARED THAT'S ALL THEY NEED BUT MAYBE THEY NEED THAT FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME, OR MAYBE SOMEBODY NEEDS HIGH INTENSITY FOR FOUR MONTHS AND THEN THEIR NEED IS MET AND THEY CAN MOVE ON. SO THAT'S THE FULL SYSTEM OF CARE. THE OTHER PIECE IS HOW DO ALL OF THE SYSTEMS COMMUNICATE FULLY BACK AND FORTH TO INTERVENE WITH FOLKS SO THEY ARE NOT

CROPPING UP IN ALL THESE DIFFERENT PIECES. THAT'S THE PART THAT EXCITES ME. WE ARE FINALLY COMING TOGETHER AS A FULL COMMUNITY INSTEAD OF ALL OUR DIFFERENT, UNIQUE KNOWLEDGE BASES TO THEN DISCUSS HOW TO INTERVENE MORE EFFECTIVELY. I THINK THAT'S WHAT YOU WERE TRYING TO GET TO.

>> I APPRECIATE THAT. AS AN EXPERIENCED IDEALIST I'M USED TO HEARING THAT'S IDEAL. WHICH IS SO DISMISS. IT SOUNDS LIKE THAT'S IDEAL BUT NOT REALISTIC. I THINK THAT WE'RE AT A POINT WHERE WE CAN GET BETTER REALISTICALLY.

>> ABSOLUTELY WE K. THAT'S A GREAT ENTREE WHERE WE WOULD LIKE TO MOVE NEXT.

>> I HAVE ONE QUESTION ABOUT ONE OF YOUR MORE SPECIFIC THINGS THAT YOU TALKED ABOUT. THAT'S SUICIDE PREVENTION. YOU SAID YOU HAD TRAINED 7500 INDIVIDUALS. SO I WOULD BE CURIOUS, WE CAN GO OFF LINE WITH THIS, BUT I WOULD BE REALLY INTERESTED IN WHAT THAT TRAINING LOOKS LIKE, WHO UH YOU'VE TRAINED, IS THAT A MODEL THAT CAN BE EXPANDED BECAUSE I HAVE ATTENDED SEVERAL THINGS LATELY THAT MAKE ME REALLY NERVOUS ABOUT THIS SITUATION.

>> IT'S A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE. THE ONE THING WE KNOW, THERE ARE THINGS WE CAN DO TO MITIGATE THE RISK FOREVER SUICIDE IN OUR COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY FOR YOUTH, FOR OLDER ADULTS AS WELL AS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE RISK FACTOR. ONE OF THE VERY GREAT THINGS IS THE TRAINING THAT WE HAVE USED IN THE COMMUNITY IS A PROGRAM CALLED ASSIST. OFF LINE I CAN GET YOU MORE INFORMATION. THAT'S AN INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN PROGRAM USED, VERY STRUCTURED TO HELP INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE LAY FOLK, WHO ARE NOT PROFESSIONALS, ALSO FOR PROFESSIONALS TO REFRESH THEM ON THEIR SKILLS FOR ENSURING THAT THEY ARE SEEING THE RISKS IN FRONT OF THEM FOR THE PEOPLE THEY ARE SERVING. THE OTHER VERY COOL THING WE HAVE DONE WITH THAT PROGRAM, THERE ARE SOME CONNECTED PARTS TO THAT PROGRAM THAT ACTUALLY PROVIDE TRAINING TO YOUTH THROUGH HEALTH CLASS. TRAINING TEACHERS IN THE SCHOOLS SO THAT THEY CAN KNOW HOW TO RESPOND, IDENTIFY AS WELL. IT DEFINITELY CROSSES THE SPECTRUM OF WHERE KIDS ARE AT AND WHERE WE SEE KIDS IN OUR COMMUNITY. I WOULD BE HAPPY TO GET YOU MORE INFORMATION ON THAT.

>> I WOULD BE VERY INTERESTED.

>>> SO WHERE WE WOULD LIKE TO MOVE NEXT IS WE HAVE TALKED AROUND THE CURRENT SYSTEM OF CARE, SOME IDEAL PARTS OF AN IDEAL SYSTEM OF CARE, AND WE'LL MOVE TO SOME OF THE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE SITTING RIGHT IN FRONT OF US TODAY. ONE OF

THOSE, TERRI STARTED TO TALK ABOUT THE INTEGRATION EFFORTS. TERRI, I WAS GOING TO TALK ABOUT HEALTH CARE TRANSFORMATION.

>> WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO IS DO A CHECK-IN ON COMMISSIONERS' TIME. I WANT TO BE RESPECTFUL OF THAT.

>> IT'S ALL YOURS.

>> OKAY. SO AS YOU SAID, THE UNIVERSE IS GOING TO BE EXPANDING AND THAT'S PROBABLY THE BEST WAY TO PUT THAT. AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE TWO COORDINATED CARE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE TRI-COUNTY REGION, SO ONE IS FAMILY CARE, AND THE OTHER IS HEALTH SHARE OF OREGON. MUSIC HAS A DUAL ROLE WITH HEALTH SHARE OREGON. YOUR HEALTH DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR SITS AS A BOARD MEMBER ON HEALTH SHARE. THEN OUR DIVISION AS A MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS IS A SUBCONTRACTOR OF HEALTH SHARE. WHAT THAT MEANS IS WE MANAGE THE MEDICAID DOLLARS FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH BENEFITS FOR HEALTH SHARE. THAT'S THE DUAL RELATIONSHIP IN THERE. WITH 2014 MEDICAID IS GOING TO EXPAND, FEDERAL MEDICAID. THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT THIS IS THIS MEANS MORE MEMBERS ARE ABLE TO ENROLL ON THE MEDICAID PLAN. MORE PEOPLE ARE GOING TO GET COVERAGE ON OHP STANDARD. THAT'S THE GOOD NEWS. WHAT THAT MEANS IS FOLKS, THAT WILL COVER FOLKS TO 133% OF THE FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL FOR LOW INCOME RESIDENTS. WHAT THIS IS ALSO GOOD NEWS FOR THE STATE BUDGET CRISIS AS WELL BECAUSE WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE FIRST THREE YEARS IS WE CAN DRAW DOWN AT 100% FEDERAL MATCH OF MEDICAID DOLLARS. SO WHAT THIS MEANS IS THE STATE GENERAL FUND DOLLARS CAN THEN BE COST SHIFTED TO SOMEWHERE ELSE. THIS IS A SAVINGS FOR THE STATE. IT'S A BENEFIT FOR ALL OF US. SO THERE'S ALWAYS GOOD NEWS AND THEN CHALLENGING THAT THAT OPPORTUNITY GIVES US. WE'RE GOING TO HAVE INCREASED ENROLLMENT, WHICH IS GREAT. FOLKS ARE GOING TO BE COMING INTO CARE, WHICH IS EXCELLENT, AND ONCE THEY COME INTO CARE WE CAN MANAGE THEIR CARE, WE CAN ENSURE THAT WE'LL HAVE HEALTHIER RESIDENTS. SO THAT'S THE BEST NEWS OF ALL. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE ALL SHOOTING FOR. THE CHALLENGE WITH THAT IS THAT OUR MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM AS A FULL, TALKING ABOUT THE TRI-COUNTY AREA, IS ALREADY CHALLENGED IN SERVING EVERYBODY WHO NEEDS CARE. SO THEN WE NOW HAVE TO LOOK AT DIFFERENT WAYS OF MEETING THE NEEDS OF OUR RESIDENTS. SO HOW DO WE MEET THEIR NEEDS QUICKLY, EFFECTIVELY, HOW DO WE MEET THE NEEDS AT THE LEVEL OF WHAT THEY NEEDED? THOSE ARE THE NEW DISCUSSIONS I REFERRED TO EARLIER THAT OUR PROVIDER SYSTEM NOW NEEDS TO LOOK AT DELIVERING CARE DIFFERENTLY. HOW ARE WE USING DATA TO ASSURE THAT THE METHODS WE'RE USING ARE MOST EFFECTIVE? IT'S NOT ONLY ABOUT COST EFFECTIVE BUT THE WAY I PUT IT IS HOW DO WE SHOW IN A DATA DRIVEN MANNER THAT WE ARE HELPING PEOPLE GET BETTER? SO THAT'S THE BIGGEST PIECE OF THE EXCITEMENT

THAT'S GOING ON IN THE PROVIDER SYSTEM. THEN AT A LOCAL LEVEL FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY WE ARE CURRENTLY ANALYZING OUR DATA BETWEEN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION TO SEE WHO ARE OUR HIGHEST LEVEL OF UTILIZING MEMBERS, AND THEN DEVELOPING A PLAN TO HOW WE'RE GOING TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THOSE SO WE CAN BRING DOWN THE COST OF SERVICES BUT THEN ALSO HELP THEM GET BETTER. THAT'S THE TARGET. HELPING PEOPLE GET BETTER. OTHER CHALLENGES WE HAVE IN FRONT OF US IS WE'RE GOING TO HAVE MORE MEMBERS TO COVER IN A SYSTEM THAT'S ALREADY FAIRLY BURDENED. THE OTHER CHALLENGE THAT'S RIGHT IN FRONT OF US IS THE STATE. NORMALLY CARRY CONTRACTS FOR SEVERAL SERVICES THAT THEY ARE NOW DESIGNATING TO THE COUNTY. AS THEY DO THAT, THE MONEY THE COUNTY GETS TO DELIVER THOSE SERVICES IS NOT INCREASING. SO THAT'S A CHALLENGE. SO THAT WOULD BE THE PSYCHIATRIC SECURITY REVIEW BOARD. WE'RE NOW AS THE CCO, WE HAVE TO COVER THEIR EXPENDITURES AND THOSE ARE MEDICAID AND NONMEDICAID TYPE DOLLARS. RESIDENTIAL SERVICES ARE GOING TO BE COMING TO HEALTH SHARE AND FAMILY CARE AS OF JULY 1, AND WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THE BUDGET IMPACT IS GOING TO BE. THE STATE IS CURRENTLY IN PROCESS OF DEVELOPING RATES FOR THAT. BUT THAT'S CAUSING A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF ANXIETY ABOUT WHO MANAGES, HOW TO MANAGE THAT AND HOW MUCH DO WE HAVE TO MANAGE THAT.

>> SHIFT OF WHAT THE STATE HAD FORMERLY PAID TO TREAT PEOPLE UNDER THE CUSTOMER TO DI OF PSRB, HAS NOW SHIFTED TO THE COUNTIES?

>> THE COST SHIFT HAS. YES. CORRECT.

>> TO THE MEDICAID PROGRAM, SPECIFICALLY, SO COORDINATION WITH THE COUNTIES BUT THOSE SERVICES AS TERRI IS HIGHLIGHTING, MOVING, BEING TRANSITIONED INTO THE MEDICAID SYSTEM OF CARE AND FUNDING.

>> CORRECT. THE CHALLENGE WITH PSRB ABOUT THAT IS WE HAVE MEDICALLY NECESSARY SERVICES, WHICH ARE MEDICAID COVERED, BUT BECAUSE THEY ARE MANDATED TO RECEIVE A CERTAIN SERVICES, THAT MAY NOT BE MEDICALLY NECESSARY. IT'S AT A HIGHER COST. THESE ARE FOLKS WHO HAVE A HIGH LEVEL OF NEEDS SO THEN YOU'RE ALSO SHIFTING THE HIGHER LEVEL OF THE COST OF THOSE NEEDS. SO THAT'S OCCURRING --

>> BASIC LEVEL OF PAYMENT WITH THEM BUT THEY USE SERVICES AT A HIGHER LEVEL. THESE ARE SICKER PEOPLE. THEY JUST USE SERVICES MORE INTENSIVELY.

>> YES. I WOULD PREFER THE USING SERVICES MORE INTENSIVELY BECAUSE THERE'S AN OVERSIGHT SECTION TO ASSURE THE COMMUNITY SAFETY IS

MET AS WELL AS KEEPING THEM ENGAGED IN TREATMENT. THEN IT'S WHATEVER THAT TREATMENT MAY BE. MIGHT BE ALCOHOL-DRUG, MENTAL HEALTH, MEDICATION. THEN IT'S ALSO ASSURING THAT THERE IN STABLE HOUSING AS WELL. ALL THOSE PIECES. THE GOAL OF THOSE SERVICES IS THE RIGHT ONE. HOW DO WE HELP SOMEBODY STAY STABLE? HOW DO WE THEM STAY IN THE COMMUNITY AND KEEP THE COMMUNITY SAFE, BUT THAT COMES AT A COST, OF COURSE. THE RESIDENTIAL SERVICES IS COMING JULY 1. THAT WOULD BE MENTAL HEALTH AS WELL AS ALCOHOL AND DRUG AND THEN WE ALSO HAVE GUARDIANSHIP SERVICES, WHICH IS UNDER DISCUSSION AT THIS TIME. SO THAT'S PART OF THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE IS SO WE'RE LOOKING AT 2014 WHERE WE WILL HAVE MORE ENROLLED MEMBERS. CURRENTLY WE ARE QUICKLY, I MEAN JUST AT AN INCREDIBLE PACE, CREATING THIS ORGANIZATION OF HEALTH SHARE AND TRYING TO MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR MEMBERS. THEN ON TOP OF THAT THE STATE IS ALSO SHIFTING SOME OF THESE PROGRAMS DIRECTLY TO THE CCO OVERSIGHT. ALL OF THIS IS JUST HAPPENING AT AN ALARMING PACE. SO THAT'S OUR CHALLENGE AND OUR OPPORTUNITY.

>>> THEN MORE OPPORTUNITIES I THINK I HAVE ALREADY JUST SAID THIS IS INCREASED HEALTH OR FOUR COMMUNITY. ONCE WE GET PEOPLE INTO CARE WE CAN REDUCE HEALTH CARE DISPARITIES FOR OUR UNDER-SERVED POPULATIONS. WHAT IS MOST EXCITING IS UNPRECEDENTED COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE THREE COUNTIES AND THE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEMS AS WELL AS OUR COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE. I WAS JUST AT THE ONE OF THE INTERFAITH MEETINGS THE OTHER DAY, IN OLD TOWN. I BEING AN OUTSIDER BECAUSE I'M JUST KNEW TO WORKING IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY DIDN'T KNOW THESE SERVICES EXISTED. IT WAS AN EXCITING OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR THAT CONVERSATION TO SAY HOW DO WE WORK TOGETHER INSTEAD OF EVERYONE DOING WHAT THEY NORMALLY DO. ALSO IT'S A NEW AWARENESS OF UNMET NEEDS OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS, SO NEW DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE RATE OF OBESITY, DIABETES AND TOBACCO USE. INCREASED FOCUS ON PREVENTION AND NONTRADITIONAL WORKERS TO EXPAND THE CONTINUUM OF SERVICES, AND INCREASE FOCUS ON THE PLAY OF SUBSTANCE USE WITH FOLKS, ESPECIALLY E.R. UTILIZATION BUT REALLY ALL LEVELS. WE HAVE BEEN HAVING THOSE DISCUSSIONS WITH PORTLAND POLICE. THIS IS GOING TO BE SOMETHING WE HAVE ALWAYS KNOWN ABOUT BUT IT'S BRINGING IT UP TO A HIGHER LEVEL OF VISIBILITY, WHICH IS PAST DUE. FOCUS ON THE DATA-DRIVEN OUT COMES. OUR BIGGEST TASK IS HOW DO WE REDUCE THE ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN BETWEEN ALL OF THE -- WE HAVE SEVEN CONTRACTED ENTITIES THAT ARE PART OF HEALTH SHARING, SO THE GOVERNOR HAS PUT FORT THE TASK TO US TO SAY YOU CAN'T DO BUSINESS IN SEVEN DIFFERENT WAYS. YOU NEED TO LEARN HOW TO DO BUSINESS IN ONE ORGANIZATIONAL WAY, SO THAT'S RIGHT IN FRONT OF US AS WELL. IT'S CONSTANTLY SHIFTING SANDS ON OUR LANDSCAPE.

>> THANKS, TERRI. APPRECIATE THAT VERY GOOD ARTICULATION. AND THAT WAS A BIT OF A TEASER. WE'RE GOING TO BE BACK APRIL 30th WITH A FULL BRIEFING ON HEALTH CARE TRANSFORMATION. SO WE'LL CERTAINLY BRING MORE OF THAT INFORMATION BACK. BUT IT'S VERY ESSENTIAL TO HEAR HOW THAT INTERSECTS WITH THE CURRENT SYSTEM OF CARE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND SOME OF THE THINGS TERRI ARTICULATED REALLY PUSHING FORWARD WITH INTEGRATION TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE FAR MORE EFFECTIVE OUT COMES FOR INDIVIDUALS WE SERVE.

>> I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT THAT. WITH THE TRANSITION TO THE CCO, DOES THAT MEAN THAT THAT ENTITY WILL BE THE GATE KEEPER ON SERVICES OR HOW WILL OUR ROLE CHANGE?

>> THAT IS TO BE DETERMINED. THAT IS AN EXCELLENT QUESTION. WE ARE JUST BARELY STARTING TO HAVE THAT CONVERSATION. WHAT WE KNOW IS FOR NOW, HEALTH SHARE HAS -- WE ARE A SUBCONTRACTOR FOR A YEAR, SO WE HAVE A VERY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME TO HAVE THAT DISCUSSION TO WHAT DOES THAT MEAN. SO WE'LL REMAIN AS A TRI-COUNTY REGION MANAGING THE BENEFITS AS WE DO NOW? IS THAT GOING TO BE MOVED TO HEALTH SHARE? WE JUST DON'T HAVE THAT TARGET YET. THE CONVERSATION HAS JUST BEGUN.

>> I REALLY THINK THAT AN INTERESTING DYNAMIC IN THE COMMUNITY WHICH HAS NOT TRADITIONALLY BEEN PART OF THE MENTAL HEALTH CARE DISCUSSION IS HOUSING. SINCE WE HAVE NOW A TRI-COUNTY ORGANIZATION AND I THINK MAYBE THERE'S SUFFICIENT DATA, BUT IT HAS NOT BEEN -- HASN'T COME ACROSS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HOUSING AND MENTAL ILLNESS, THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN RECOVERY AND ACCESS TO HOUSING, THEN THE GEOGRAPHICAL PLACEMENT OF HOUSING AND SERVICES. I THINK THAT THERE IS A REALLY STRONG CONNECTION, AND I THINK IT'S A CONNECTION THAT HAS NOT BEEN MADE STRONGLY, AS STRONGLY IN FUNDING DECISIONS OR POLITICAL CIRCLES AS IT IS IN REALTY, SO THIS IS A HUGE OPPORTUNITY TO BRING IN WHAT BASICALLY USING THE GOVERNOR'S ANALOGY NOW KIND OF WORN OUT MAYBE, BUT THE AIR CONDITIONER ANALOGY, WHICH IS THAT HOUSING IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE OVER ALL TREATMENT AND LONG TERM SUCCESS OF TREATMENT FOR MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE. I'M JUST MAKING THAT UP. I'M NOT MENTALLY -- [SPEAKING SIMULTANEOUSLY]

Mr. Hidalgo: I'LL KEEP IT SHORT SO THE BOSSES CAN JUMP IN MORE. YOU'RE RIGHT ON TRACK. WHAT I CAN SAY IS THE CONVERSATION OF HOUSING HAS BEEN OCCURRING AT ALL LEVELS BUT WHERE IT IS WE HAVE AN INTERSECTIVE MULTIPLE FUNDING STREAM SO IT'S DIFFICULT TO USE MEDICAID TO BUY A HOUSE BUT THERE IS THE OPPORTUNITY OF THE GLOBAL BUDGET. BUT I AGREE WITH YOU THAT, YES, HOUSING PROBABLY HASN'T

BEEN BROUGHT INTO THE POLITICAL CONVERSATION AS IT COULD OR SHOULD WHERE YOU CAN PRIORITIZE PROJECTS OR FUNDING TOWARDS THIS END. THE EXPENSE IS SO HIGH, AND THAT'S PART OF IT, DO YOU BUILD A HOUSE OR DO YOU -- WE KNOW AFFORDABLE HOUSING OVER ALL IS AT A SHORTAGE FOR OUR PEOPLE, SO YES, IT'S A REGIONAL DISCUSSION TO BE HAD.

>> AND ONE OF THE WAYS THAT I THINK WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO PAY FOR THAT IS OUR NEXT TOPIC POINT. THAT IS THE IMMENSE OPPORTUNITY REALLY SITTING IN FRONT OF US AROUND THE DISCUSSION OF FUNDING FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SYSTEM. WE FEEL LIKE WE HAVE WON THE LOTTERY, BUT THERE'S SOME LOTTERY TICKETS OUT THERE FOR US AT THIS POINT AND WE'RE VERY EXCITED. JUST ABOUT THE CONVERSATION, REALLY RAISING AWARENESS IN THE COMMUNITY ABOUT ISSUES OF MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS, HAVING THE CONVERSATION TO ENSURE THAT WE START PLANNING AND DO TAKE STRATEGIC EFFORTS AND MAKE DECISIONS AROUND HOW WE CAN ENSURE THINGS LIKE HOUSING START TO BECOME THE TOP OF OUR CONVERSATION. SO WITH THE GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET THIS PAST YEAR, THE GOVERNOR RECOMMENDED A 43% INCREASE IN FUNDING TO MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES, UNPRECEDENTED INCREASE THAT WE HAVE NOT SEEN OVER THE LAST NUMBER OF YEARS. THE WAYS AND MEANS CO-CHAIR BUDGETS ALSO SPEAK TO INCREASED FUNDING FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, YOUNG ADULTS, TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH, SIGNIFICANT AREA OF FUNDING WHERE WE CAN ALSO DO SOME PRIMARY AND SECONDARY PREVENTION WORK. THEN ALSO SENATE PRESIDENT PETER COURTNEY'S CALL TO ACTION WHERE HE IDENTIFIED \$331 MILLION NEW DOLLARS WOULD BE NEEDED TO GO AHEAD AND HAVE A SERVICE SYSTEM THAT WOULD IMMEDIATE THE NEEDS OF -- MEET THE NEEDS OF HIS STATE ACROSS THE BIENNIUM. SIGNIFICANT OPPORTUNITIES IN TERMS OF FUNDING THAT WE'LL CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE AT THE LEGISLATURE AND WITH YOU AS WELL. THE CHALLENGE SOMETIMES THAT WE DO HAVE WHEN ADDITIONAL FUNDING COMES AT THIS POINT IS THE STATE IS ABSOLUTELY LOOKING AT HOW THEY HAVE DISTRIBUTED DOLLARS ACROSS THE STATE TO VARIOUS COUNTIES. SOME OF THE NEWER MECHANISMS THE STAY IS USING IS REDISTRIBUTING DOLLARS TO DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE STATE AND MY SUGGESTION WOULD BE THAT MOVING DOLLARS FROM ONE UNFUNDED PART OF THE SYSTEM TO ANOTHER UNFUNDED PART OF THE SYSTEM DOES NOTHING TO BENEFIT BUT ACTUALLY PROVIDES AN UNSTABLE SYSTEM ACROSS OUR STATE. SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE DO HAVE TO BE SIGNIFICANT -- PAY SIGNIFICANT ATTENTION TO IS REDISTRIBUTION AND THE RISK. WE DO BELIEVE THERE SHOULD BE ADEQUATE FUNDING ACROSS THE ENTIRE STATE, BUT IT'S IMPORTANT AS WE SEE NEW DOLLARS POTENTIALLY COME INTO THE COMMUNITY THAT WE'RE AWARE OF HOW THEY WILL BE DISTRIBUTED.

THE OTHER THING THAT I WOULD SAY PLAY AS ROLE, IT'S A BIT OFF IN THE

DISTANCE, PERHAPS LATE SPRING, SEQUESTRATION OF THE FEDERAL LEVEL. WE HAVE SOME ESTIMATES THAT MAY IMPACT OUR SYSTEM, HOWEVER THOSE ARE CHANGING ON A REGULAR BASIS. WE DO HAVE SOME ESTIMATES FROM THE STATE AS WELL, BUT THAT'S SOMETHING WE KNOW WE DO HAVE TO LOOK AT FOR THE FUTURE.

A COUPLE OF OTHER OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE SIGNIFICANT IS THE CONNECTION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BOTH THE STATE AND LOCAL LEVEL. THE STATE HAS A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT FOR THEIR CONNECTION TO THE STATE HOSPITAL AND THEN LOCALLY WITH OUR PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU. ONE OF THE GREAT OPPORTUNITIES IS IT REALLY DOES ENSURE BETTER COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION. IT ENSURES THAT WE'RE REALLY LOOKING CLOSELY AT HOW WE ARE OPERATING OUR SYSTEMS, HOW WE'RE INTERFACING AND ENSURING THAT PEOPLE WHO HAVE THE MOST NEED ARE GETTING CONNECTED TO THE SERVICES THAT THEY DO NEED. SOME CHALLENGE THAT CAN COME FROM THAT ARE MANDATES, WHAT WE HOPE IS THAT THE AGREEMENTS THAT ARE IN PLACE WILL ENSURE THAT WE CAN USE FUNDING CURRENTLY AVAILABLE TO GO AHEAD AND MEET THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS. WE CERTAINLY KNOW THAT THROUGH PORTLAND POLICE THERE ARE SUGGESTIONS AND MANDATES TO GO AHEAD AND IMPROVE THE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MENTAL ILLNESS IN OUR COMMUNITY AND SO WE WANT TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE POLICE TO GET INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE A NEED FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES INTO THE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM. THEN FINALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON THE COLLABORATION WORK WE'RE GOING WITH PORTLAND POLICE. SINCE 2005 WE HAVE HAD A GROWING COLLABORATION AND A GOOD CONNECTION WITH PORTLAND POLICE. IN 2005 THAT WAS A CONNECTION WITH MAYOR POTTER AT THAT POINT. WITH A TASK FORCE WORKING TOGETHER COLLABORATIVELY WITH STAKEHOLDERS ACROSS THE COMMUNITY TO TALK AROUND HOW WE CAN BEST SERVE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS NEEDS IN OUR COMMUNITY AND THE INTERSECTION WITH PUBLIC SAFETY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT. SINCE THAT TIME WE HAVE CONTINUED TO WORK WITH POLICE TO MARKET THE SERVICES AS IT IS THAT WE DO FUND HERE IN OUR COMMUNITY ONCE AGAIN THE CRISIS SYSTEM ONE OF OUR ROBUST SERVICES THAT IS FUNDED AND THAT WORKS IN CONNECTION WITH PEOPLE WHO COME IN CONTACT WITH THE POLICE HAS SOME VERY GOOD SUCCESS SPECIFICALLY OUR 24 HOURS MOBILE MENTAL HEALTH OUTREACH TEAM. THAT TEAM SPECIFICALLY IS ONE OF THE SHINING STARS WITH THE POLICE. THEY LOVE PROJECT RESPOND. THAT IS THE CONTRACT THAT'S WITH CASCADIA AT THIS TIME. OF THE TOTAL CAPACITY FOR OUR MOBILE MENTAL HEALTH OUTREACH TEAM THE POLICE USE 60% OF THAT CAPACITY. THIS REVERY HAPPY WITH THE SERVICE. IT WORKS WELL IN THE COMMUNITY. AND WE'RE ENSURING THAT INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS ARE GETTING TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IF THAT'S THE RIGHT CHOICE FOR SOMEONE TO HELP RESOLVE THEIR CRISIS.

>>> ANOTHER RARA THAT HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN OUR COLLABORATION WITH THE POLICE WAS THIS PAST YEAR. THE 911 TRANSFER PROTOCOL THAT WAS DEVELOPED. THAT'S AN INNOVATIVE STRATEGY THAT WE'RE NOT AWARE THAT ANYONE ELSE ACROSS THE NATION HAS PUT IN PLACE. I WAS HIGHLIGHTED IN A NATIONAL JOURNAL FOR THE FIRST FIVE MONTHS IN OPERATING THAT PROGRAM, MAY TO OCTOBER, THE STAFF THROUGH THE MENTAL HEALTH CALL CENTER DIVERTED 344 POLICE DISPATCHES. THAT'S 344 POLICE DISPATCHES THAT WOULD HAVE OTHERWISE GONE OUT TO THE COMMUNITY TO WORK WITH SOMEONE IN A MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS. THE MENTAL HEALTH CALL CENTER WAS ABLE TO RESOLVE THAT CRISIS AFTER THE PHONE CALL WAS TRANSFERRED FROM 911. SIGNIFICANT SUCCESS AND WE LOOK TO BUILD UPON THAT SUCCESS WITH THE POLICE AND 911.

>>> THEN ONE OF THE LAST COLLABORATIONS THAT WE'RE CURRENTLY ENGAGING IN WITH THE POLICE IS WITH THEIR NEW BEHAVIORAL HEALTH UNIT. SO THE POLICE AS A PART OF THEIR AGREEMENT WITH DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DEVELOPED A BEHAVIORAL HEALTH WORKING WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. WE IN OUR DIVISION THAT ARE MEETING MONTHLY WITH THAT WORK UNIT. THE WORK THAT WE'RE DOING IS WORKING ON AN INDIVIDUAL CASE LEVEL WITH PERSONS WHO ARE COMING IN CONTACT WITH THE POLICE, INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE CYCLING THROUGH, INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE CHURNING THROUGH THE SYSTEM HAVING CONSISTENT CONTACT OR MORE FREQUENT CONTACT WITH POLICE, OUR STAFF ARE COLLABORATING DIRECTLY. WE'RE ENGAGING INDIVIDUALS FROM THE MENTAL HEALTH INTERDICTION SIDE, PROVIDING COORDINATION, DEVELOPING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THESE INDIVIDUALS SUCH THAT WE CAN HELP THEM GET TO A SPOT WHERE THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE AND FIND OUT WHAT THEIR ACTUAL NEEDS ARE. SO THAT'S A SIGNIFICANT BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY, TO THE POLICE, AND ESPECIALLY TO THE INDIVIDUALS WHO WE'RE SERVING IN OUR COMMUNITY.

>>> SO THAT IS A LOT OF THE WORK THAT IS FOCUSED ON RIGHT NOW WITH THE POLICE COLLABORATION AND ALSO ENSURING THAT THE SERVICES WE DO HAVE MEETING THEIR NEEDS. I THINK ONE OF THE AREAS WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT, POLICE DROPOFF, THAT'S AN ONGOING CONVERSATION AROUND -- BEST MEET THE POLICE'S NEED AND SOME OF THE CONVERSATIONS WE HAVE HAD RECENTLY IS REALLY TO LOOK AT IS THAT THE MOST EFFECTIVE PROGRAM TO BRING INTO THE COMMUNITY THAT IS A VERY HIGH COST PROGRAM TO DEVELOP. IS ARE THERE OTHER SERVICES WE COULD EXPAND SPECIFICALLY MOBILE OUTREACH THAT MAY HAVE A FAR LARGER IMPACT ACROSS THE ENTIRE SYSTEM AND JUST NOT IN ONE PART OF THE SYSTEM. SO THOSE ARE CONVERSATIONS WE ARE HAVING WITH THE POLICE CURRENTLY. IN CONCLUSION, WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY IS THAT THE SYSTEM THAT WE DO HAVE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY HAS AN EXCELLENT INFRASTRUCTURE AND FOUNDATION FOR AN IDEAL SYSTEM OF CARE. SO WE

HAVE BUILT THAT OVER THE LAST NUMBER OF DECADES. I APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH THE FUNDING AND THE SUPPORT THAT YOU AS THE BOARD HAVE CONTINUED TO PROVIDE TO ENSURE INDIVIDUALS WITH MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES IN OUR COMMUNITY CAN HAVE ACCESS TO THEM. I THINK IF WE CAN SHOOT TOWARDS THE IDEAL SYSTEM WHAT WE WOULD SEE IS THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO PREVENT MORE ILLNESS IN OUR COMMUNITY AND ENSURE INDIVIDUALS THAT GET WELL CAN STAY WELL. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU HAVE.

Vice-Chair Shiprack: QUESTIONS? ANYONE? THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, WE'RE ADJOURNED. THANK YOU.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:23 p.m.

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