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JANUARY 8 & 10, 2008 BOARD MEETINGS FASTLOOK AGENDA ITEMS OF INTEREST

Pg 2	9:00 a.m. Tuesday Executive Session
Pg 2	10:00 a.m. Tuesday Work Session on Chair's Priorities and Continued Discussion of Corrections Management Options
Pg 3	9:30 a.m. Thursday Opportunity for Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters
Pg 3	9:40 a.m. Thursday First Reading of a Proposed Ordinance Amending Multnomah County Code Relating to Transportation Code Enforcement
Pg 3	9:45 a.m. Thursday Update on the Progress of Field Based Work Release
Pg 3	10:00 a.m. Thursday Six-Year Community Plan to Improve Outcomes for Children and Families

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Tuesday, January 8, 2008 - 9:00 AM
Multnomah Building, Sixth Floor Commissioners Conference Room 635
501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, Portland

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- E-1 The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners will meet in Executive Session Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(d),(e) and/or (h). Only Representatives of the News Media and Designated Staff are allowed to attend. News Media and All Other Attendees are Specifically Directed Not to Disclose Information that is the Subject of the Session. No Final Decision will be made in the Session. Presented by County Attorney Agnes Sowle. 15-55 MINUTES REQUESTED.
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Tuesday, January 8, 2008 - 10:00 AM
Multnomah Building, First Floor Commissioners Boardroom 100
501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, Portland

WORK SESSION

- WS-1 Work Session to Review Chair's Priorities and Continued Discussion of Corrections Management Options. Presented by Chair Ted Wheeler and Assigned Staff. 90 MINUTES REQUESTED.
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Thursday, January 10, 2008 - 9:30 AM
Multnomah Building, First Floor Commissioners Boardroom 100
501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, Portland

REGULAR MEETING

CONSENT CALENDAR - 9:30 AM **DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES**

- C-1 ORDER Authorizing Designees of the Mental Health Program Director to Direct a Peace Officer to Take an Allegedly Mentally Ill Person into Custody

REGULAR AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT - 9:30 AM

Opportunity for Public Comment on non-agenda matters. Testimony is limited to three minutes per person. Fill out a speaker form available in the Boardroom and turn it into the Board Clerk.

NON-DEPARTMENTAL - 9:30 AM

- R-1 Budget Modification NOND-04 Transferring \$50,000 from Contingency to the Citizen Involvement Committee for 1.0 FTE to Assist with Enhanced Citizen Involvement [Continued from December 20, 2007]

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY JUSTICE – 9:35 AM

- R-2 Budget Modification DCJ-14 Increasing the Department of Community Justice Federal/State Appropriation by \$54,480 from the Oregon State Commission on Children and Families for the Court Appointed Special Advocates Volunteer Program

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES – 9:40 AM

- R-3 First Reading of a Proposed ORDINANCE Amending Multnomah County Code Chapter 29.504 Relating to Transportation Code Enforcement

SHERIFF'S OFFICE – 9:45 AM

- R-4 Update on the Progress of Field Based Work Release. Presented by Captain Bobbi Luna and Program Manager Byron Moore. 15 MINUTES REQUESTED.

COMMISSION ON CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY – 10:00 AM

- R-5 Six-Year Community Plan to Improve Outcomes for Children and Families in Multnomah County. Presented by Wendy Lebow, Joshua Todd and Carla Piluso. 20 MINUTES REQUESTED.

BOARD COMMENT

Opportunity (as time allows) for Commissioners to provide informational comments to Board and public on non-agenda items of interest or to discuss legislative issues.

Thursday, January 10, 2008 – **6:00-8:00 PM**
East Portland Community Center
740 SE 106th Avenue, Portland

EAST PORTLAND ACTION PLAN COMMITTEE
MONTHLY MEETING

A quorum of the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners may be attending the East Portland Action Plan Committee Monthly Meeting. This meeting is open to the public. For agenda topics and/or further information, contact Barry Manning at **bmanning@ci.portland.or.us**.



MULTNOMAH COUNTY
AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (short form)

Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 01/10/08
Agenda Item #: C-1
Est. Start Time: 9:30 AM
Date Submitted: 01/02/08

Agenda Title: **ORDER Authorizing Designees of the Mental Health Program Director to Direct a Peace Officer to Take an Allegedly Mentally Ill Person into Custody**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.

Requested Meeting Date: January 10, 2008 **Amount of Time Needed:** N/A
Department: DCHS **Division:** MHASD
Contact(s): Jean Dentinger/Debra Myers
Phone: (503) 988-5464 **Ext.** 27297 **I/O Address:** 167/1/520
Presenter(s): Consent Calendar

General Information

1. **What action are you requesting from the Board?**
 Requesting adoption of order and approval of designees. The Mental Health and Addiction Services Division is recommending approval of the designees in the accordance with ORS 426.215.
2. **Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.**
 Outpatient mental health agencies depend upon certain staff having the ability to assess clients for "Director Designee Custody". This certification allows the designee to direct a police officer or secure transportation provider to take into custody any individual with mental health issues who is found to be dangerous to self or to others. Police then transport the individual to a hospital or other approved treatment facility for further evaluation. As agencies experience staffing turnover or increases, new staff needs to be trained and certified as designees.
3. **Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).**
 None.
4. **Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.**
 In accordance with ORS 426.215.
5. **Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.**
 None.

Required Signature

**Elected Official or
Department/
Agency Director:**

Joanne Fulmer

Date: 12/10/07

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO. _____

Authorizing Designees of the Mental Health Program Director to Direct a Peace Officer to Take an Allegedly Mentally Ill Person into Custody

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a) If authorized by a county governing body, a designee of a mental health program director may direct a peace officer to take into custody a person whom the designee has probable cause to believe is dangerous to self or others and whom the designee has probable cause to believe is in need of immediate care, custody, and treatment of mental illness.
- b) There is a current need for specified designees of the Multnomah County Mental Health Program Director to have the authority to direct a peace officer to take an allegedly mentally ill person into custody.
- c) The designees listed below have been specifically recommended by the Mental Health Program Director and meet the standards established by the Mental Health Division.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Orders:

- 1. The individuals listed below are authorized as designees of the Mental Health Program Director for Multnomah County to direct any peace officer to take into custody a person whom the designee has probable cause to believe is dangerous to self or others and whom the designee has probable cause to believe is in need of immediate care, custody or treatment for mental illness.
- 2. Added to the list of designees are:

Marina Zaslavsky	Keith D. Conant MD	Lisa M. Koralewicz	Sandra Guyton Doan
Kirsten McAteer	Tod Carrig	Jim Nevala	Cory Cordero
Carla Riedlinger	Tim Hagge	Chris Hudson	Alan Yeo
Karen Ledbetter	Jessica Carlin	Laura Nelson	Ellen Feltovich
Stacie Larson	Cheryl Forster	Jennifer Dahlin	Dana Tasson

Jocelyn Tello
Samuel Chi Baker

Heather Montross
Gayle Keller

Olivia Salvador-Taylor
Athena Dorey

ADOPTED this 10th day of January, 2008.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

Ted Wheeler, Chair

REVIEWED:

AGNES SOWLES, COUNTY ATTORNEY
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

By _____
Patrick Henry, Assistant County Attorney

SUBMITTED BY:

Joanne M. Fuller, Director, Dept. of County Human Services

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO. 08-003

Authorizing Designees of the Mental Health Program Director to Direct a Peace Officer to Take an Allegedly Mentally Ill Person into Custody

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

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- b) There is a current need for specified designees of the Multnomah County Mental Health Program Director to have the authority to direct a peace officer to take an allegedly mentally ill person into custody.
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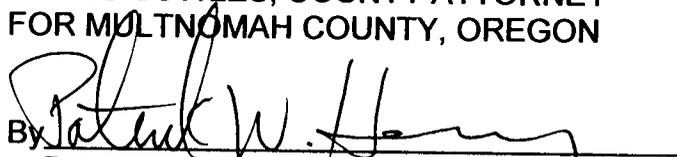


BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON


Ted Wheeler, Chair

REVIEWED:

AGNES SOWLES, COUNTY ATTORNEY
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

By 
Patrick Henry, Assistant County Attorney

SUBMITTED BY:

Joanne M. Fuller, Director, Dept. of County Human Services



MULTNOMAH COUNTY
AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (long form)

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Meeting Date: 01/10/08
Agenda Item #: R-1
Est. Start Time: 9:30 AM
Date Submitted: 12/11/07

BUDGET MODIFICATION: NOND - 04

**Budget Modification NOND-04 Transferring \$50,000 from Contingency to the
 Agenda Citizen Involvement Committee for 1.0 FTE to Assist with Enhanced Citizen
 Title: Involvement [Continued from December 20, 2007]**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.

Requested Meeting Date: January 10, 2008 **Amount of Time Needed:** 10 -15 Minutes
Department: Non Departmental **Division:** Citizen Involvement
Contact(s): Kathleen Todd
Phone: 503-988-3450 **Ext.** 22438 **I/O Address:** 503/6
Presenter(s): Jessica Hamilton and Members of the Citizen Involvement Work Group

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Approval of Non-Departmental budget modification 04, releasing \$50,000 of General Fund contingency to the Citizen Involvement Committee (CIC) for 1.0 FTE to assist with enhanced citizen involvement.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

In response to Chair Wheeler's citizen involvement initiative, the Citizen Involvement Committee convened a 15 member citizen involvement working group made up of key stakeholders in County Citizen Involvement around policy decisions. The goal of the Citizen Involvement Work Group (CIWG) Plan is to significantly improve the County's citizen involvement processes. The staff and the citizen members of the CIWG have devoted a great deal of energy and effort to this planning process in addition to their respective workloads, holding focus groups, creating and conducting surveys, researching best practices and identifying past recommendations and operational gaps.

The framework of the resulting plan encompasses two objectives: 1) to make citizens aware of policy input opportunities and to obtain their active participation and 2) to obtain, use and value citizen input in policy development efforts. The plan for implementing these objectives is visionary and ambitious and will be implemented in two phases. The release of these contingency funds will provide the resources called for in phase one of the plan to strengthen the infrastructure and lay the groundwork for improving the citizen involvement process for not only county citizens but county staff, as well as cover costs already incurred by this project such as translation of a public survey. This action affects Program Offer 10008A in the current budget cycle.

Phase one includes the continuation of the Citizen Involvement Work Group; restoring the staffing level in the Office of Citizen Involvement; reopening the Office of Citizen Involvement to the public so that citizens may have immediate and easy access to volunteer opportunities and Office resources; creating a centralized and current data base of volunteers as well as interested citizens which will allow for the prompt dissemination of information and opportunities; providing for an up-to-date Web presence for volunteer opportunities; enhanced training and support for the CBAC Program as the new budget process for FY 08/09 is implemented as well as increased outreach to the community through a traveling show.

Under consideration for phase two by the Citizen Involvement Work Group is the need to develop procedures for identifying and sharing information about new policy initiatives, current policy efforts, etc.; as well as to develop a citizen training program (County 101) and a departmental training program on how to effectively recruit and use citizen input, along with suggestions for how to provide feedback to citizens on recommendations and advice, and the continuation of the Citizen Involvement Work Group.

The recommendations that are formulated through this planning process will be reflected in the next budget cycle as citizen awareness of and participation in decision making around county programs, county policies, and constraints and opportunities faced by county government are greatly enhanced by an active energetic citizen involvement effort.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

The Citizen Involvement Committee's budget will be increased by \$50,000 and the General Fund contingency will be reduced by a like amount. It is anticipated that this request will be included in the CIC's FY 2009 budget request.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

N/A

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

An actively inclusive planning process to improve citizen involvement in the county for both citizens and county staff is in place. An ongoing citizen involvement work group has been convened. Members include representatives from each Commissioner's offices, the Department heads, the Public Affairs Office, the Executive Committee of the Citizen Involvement Committee, the Office of Citizen Involvement, and the Chair's Office. The Central Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee, the Non Departmental Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee, and the Citizen Involvement Committee have provided suggestions and examples of how to improve citizen involvement in the county. Focus groups of citizens who have no experience with county government as well as citizens who have past or present experience in county policy roles have been held and surveys have been deployed. Additional citizen involvement activities will occur as we move forward on this project.

ATTACHMENT A

Budget Modification

If the request is a Budget Modification, please answer all of the following in detail:

- **What revenue is being changed and why?**

N/A

- **What budgets are increased/decreased?**

The Citizen Involvement Committee's budget will be increased by \$50,000 and the General Fund contingency will be reduced by a like amount.

- **What do the changes accomplish?**

The increase to the CIC's budget will allow the office to restore staffing levels by hiring a full-time employee, and to cover additional costs generated by the current Work Group planning process.

- **Do any personnel actions result from this budget modification? Explain.**

Yes. This action adds 1.0 FTE Staff Assistant position to the Citizen Involvement Committee's staff office.

- **How will the county indirect, central finance and human resources and departmental overhead costs be covered?**

The CIC is a General Fund organization not subject to indirect costs. Other administrative functions will be minimal and can be absorbed within current resources.

- **Is the revenue one-time-only in nature? Will the function be ongoing? What plans are in place to identify a sufficient ongoing funding stream?**

N/A

- **If a grant, what period does the grant cover?**

N/A

- **If a grant, when the grant expires, what are funding plans?**

N/A

Contingency Request

If the request is a Contingency Request, please answer all of the following in detail:

- **Why was the expenditure not included in the annual budget process?**

This expenditure was included in the annual budget process; the outcome of that process was to place it in contingency.

- **What efforts have been made to identify funds from other sources within the Department/Agency to cover this expenditure?**

No other sources were identified.

- **Why are no other department/agency fund sources available?**

N/A

- **Describe any new revenue this expenditure will produce, any cost savings that will result, and any anticipated payback to the contingency account. What are the plans for future ongoing funding?**

This is a General Fund expense that is anticipated to increase the quantity and quality of citizen involvement activities in the County. The CIC expects to include this amount in its FY 2009 budget request.

- **Has this request been made before? When? What was the outcome?**

No funding for this purpose has been requested from contingency before. However, staffing levels in the Office of Citizen Involvement were decreased in the FY 05/06 budget to 1FTE and unsuccessful requests for restored staffing levels were made during the last two funding cycles. It should be noted that these requests were made without the actively inclusive citizen involvement work group planning process that is now in place.

NOTE: If a Budget Modification or a Contingency Request attach a Budget Modification Expense & Revenues Worksheet and/or a Budget Modification Personnel Worksheet.

ATTACHMENT B

BUDGET MODIFICATION: NOND-04

Required Signatures

**Elected Official
or Department/
Agency
Director:**

Kathleen M. Todd

Date: 11/19/2007

Budget Analyst:

Debra

Date: 12/11/07

Department HR:

Carl R. Quigg

Date: 12/12/07

Strategy Worksheet

County Goal:	Accountability/Transparency
Board Priority:	Improve citizen involvement processes

Strategy:	Institutionalize citizen input as part of policy and program	
Objective (Phase I):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To make citizens aware of policy input opportunities and to obtain their active participation 	
Actions and Outcomes (Phase I):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restore OCI staffing level • Open OCI to the public • Develop web site pages that report on policy and program development efforts and volunteer opportunities • Develop and implement information policy opportunity database • Develop data acquisition procedures for the database • Create community outreach roadshow for service opportunities. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Citizen access to current involvement opportunities is easy and simple. • OCI serves as central information & referral access point for citizens seeking participation opportunities • Traveling roadshow provides community outreach regarding county volunteer service opportunities
Objective (Phase I):		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To obtain, use and value citizen input into policy development efforts 	
Actions and Outcomes (Phase I):		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue CIWG planning and vision sessions • Create and implement CBAC budget training program. • Create community outreach roadshow for budget process. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phase II action plans are developed • CBAC volunteers are trained in the new budget process. • Traveling roadshow provides community outreach regarding new budget process

Strategy Worksheet

Objective (Phase II):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To make citizens aware of policy input opportunities and to obtain their active participation
Actions and Outcomes (Phase II):	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop data acquisition procedures for the database Develop citizen access pathways to the database 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Citizen access to current involvement opportunities is easy and simple OCI serves as central information & referral access point for citizens seeking participation opportunities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop model process for citizen involvement in policy development Pilot model process Deploy model process county-wide Develop a customization process Customize the citizen involvement process to specific policy development efforts 	<p>Public policy development efforts include a clearly defined citizen involvement process that is developed and publicized early in the effort.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop model process for citizen involvement in policy development. Develop departmental training program Pilot departmental training program Deploy departmental training program county-wide 	<p>CIC and OCI operate a training program for departments on how to effectively recruit and use citizen input.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop model process for citizen involvement in policy development Develop citizen training program Pilot citizen training program Deploy citizen training program county-wide 	<p>CIC and OCI, along with departments, operate a joint training and orientation program for newly recruited citizens.</p>
<p>PHASE II Actions and Outcomes are still under development</p>	

Strategy Worksheet

Objective (Phase II):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To obtain, use and value citizen input into policy development efforts
Actions and Outcomes (Phase II):	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop procedures for identifying and sharing info about new policy initiatives, current policy efforts, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emerging policy topics are identified and examined for suitability for effective citizen involvement in policy development
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop procedures for identifying and sharing info about new policy initiatives, current policy efforts, etc. Monitor the public reporting of policy development efforts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIVG functions as communication link for citizen involvement opportunities and efforts
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a customization process Customize the citizen involvement process to specific policy development efforts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIC and OCI work with electeds and departmental staff to customize citizen involvement process for each policy and program development opportunity
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hold appreciation events Monitor the public reporting of policy development efforts Operate citizen training program on ongoing basis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Citizens involved in policy input opportunities feel their efforts are productive and are valued by the county.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor the public reporting of policy development efforts Operate departmental training program on ongoing basis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> County electeds and departments feel that citizen involvement and input generates useful information and ideas
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop procedures for identifying and sharing info about new policy initiatives, current policy efforts, etc. Customize the citizen involvement process to specific policy development efforts Monitor the public reporting of policy development efforts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public policy development efforts include a clearly defined citizen involvement process that is developed and publicized early in the effort.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop model process for citizen involvement in policy development. Develop departmental training program Pilot departmental training program Deploy departmental training program countywide 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIC and OCI operate a training program for departments on how to effectively recruit and use citizen input.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop model process for citizen involvement in policy development Develop citizen training program Pilot citizen training program Deploy citizen training program county-wide 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIC and OCI, along with departments, operate a joint training and orientation program for newly recruited citizens.

Budget Modification ID: **Nond 04**

EXPENDITURES & REVENUES

Please show an increase in revenue as a negative value and a decrease as a positive value for consistency with SAP.

Budget/Fiscal Year: 2008

Line No.	Fund Center	Fund Code	Program #	Func. Area	Accounting Unit			Cost Element	Current Amount	Revised Amount	Change Increase/ (Decrease)	Subtotal	Description
					Internal Order	Cost Center	WBS Element						
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2	10-40	1000	10008A	20		104000		60130	17,415	25,557	8,142		Increase fringe
3	10-40	1000	10008A	20		104000		60140	13,261	24,985	11,724		Increase insurance
4	10-40	1000	10008A	20		104000		60240	10,046	12,180	2,134		increase supplies
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MULTNOMAH COUNTY OREGON

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TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Julie Neburka, Principal Budget Analyst

DATE: November 26, 2007

SUBJECT: General Fund Contingency Request for \$50,000 to fund 1.0 FTE in the Office of Citizen Involvement. (Budget Modification NOND-04).

The Citizen Involvement Committee requests \$50,000 from the General Fund contingency to pay for 1.0 FTE Staff Assistant in order to provide the County with enhanced citizen involvement services.

In response to Chair Wheeler's citizen involvement initiative, the Citizen Involvement Committee convened a 15 member citizen involvement working group whose task was to significantly improve the County's citizen involvement processes. One recommendation of this group is to add an additional staff member to the Office of Citizen Involvement, which will allow for both a more comprehensive and complete planning process for the improvement of county citizen involvement; and for fully-staffed regular business hours for the Office of Citizen Involvement.

General Fund Contingency Policy Compliance

The Budget Office is required to inform the Board if contingency requests submitted for approval satisfy the general guidelines and policies for using the General Fund Contingency. The request is consistent with County Policy Criteria #3 as it was addressed in the Board's Budget Notes.

- **Criteria 1** States contingency requests should be for one-time-only purposes. This request is not one time only and requires funding in the future.
- **Criteria 2** Addresses emergencies and unanticipated situations. This request is not an emergency, and does not address an unanticipated situation.
- **Criteria 3** Addresses items identified in Board Budget Notes. *This item was identified in a budget note, the text of which reads, in part: "A Task Force led by the Citizen Involvement Committee and the Chair's Office will develop a plan to improve the County's citizen involvement processes. Key stakeholders in the County and community such as the Commission on Children, Families, and the Community will serve as resources to an implementation team to ensure integration of citizen involvement activities across the County. The Task Force will consider the recommendations from the December, 2006, report of the Citizen Involvement Task Force. Following completion of the plan, the Task Force may approach the Board will a funding request of up to \$50,000 to help implement the recommendations."*

BOGSTAD Deborah L

From: TODD Kathleen M
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2008 12:45 PM
To: BOGSTAD Deborah L
Subject: the 24th

Hate to do this but Jessica and Brad would rather go back to the board on the 24th which would be after their meeting with Chair Wheeler Let me know if this is doable Thanks a bunchkmt

Kathleen

Kathleen Todd, Director
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MULTNOMAH COUNTY
AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (long form)

APPROVED : MULTNOMAH COUNTY
 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
 AGENDA # R-2 DATE 01-10-08
 DEBORAH L. BOGSTAD, BOARD CLERK

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Meeting Date: 01/10/08
Agenda Item #: R-2
Est. Start Time: 9:35 AM
Date Submitted: 11/28/07

BUDGET MODIFICATION: DCJ - 14

Budget Modification DCJ-14 Increasing the Department of Community Justice Federal/State Appropriation by \$54,480 from the Oregon State Commission on Children and Families for the Court Appointed Special Advocates Volunteer Program

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.

Requested Meeting Date: January 10, 2008 **Amount of Time Needed:** 5 minutes
Department: Dept. of Community Justice **Division:** Juvenile Services Division
Contact(s): Shaun Coldwell
Phone: 503-988-3961 **Ext.** 83961 **I/O Address:** 503 / 250
Presenter(s): David Koch

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

The Department of Community Justice (DCJ) requests approval of a budget modification to appropriate \$54,480 from the Oregon State Commission on Children and Families to provide services to Court Appointed Special Advocates Volunteer Program (CASA).

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

DCJ contracts with CASA For Children, Inc. to provide services for Court Appointed Special Advocates Volunteer Program. CASA advocates are appointed by the court in cases involving an abused or neglected child that results in a judicial proceeding in juvenile court. The Advocate is deemed a party in the proceedings, may file pleadings, request hearings and may subpoena, examine and cross-examine witnesses. The target population involves children between the ages of 0-18 years who are in abuse or neglect judicial proceedings within the juvenile court system.

Court Appointed Advocates investigate all relevant information about the case; advocate for the child and ensure that all relevant facts are brought before the court; they facilitate and negotiate to ensure that the court, State Office for Services to Children and Families, and the child's attorney fulfill their obligations to the child in a timely fashion; and monitor all court orders to ensure compliance and to bring to the court's attention any change in circumstances that may require a modification of the court's order.

CASA enhances program offer 50012A Juvenile Delinquency Intervention and Prevention.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

The Federal/State Revenue is being increased by \$54,480 per information received from the Oregon State Commission on Children and Families that reflects an increase in current year revenue to a total of \$152,390. The revenue will be passed through to CASA for Court Appointed Advocates for children.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

N/A

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

N/A

ATTACHMENT A

Budget Modification

If the request is a **Budget Modification**, please answer **all** of the following in detail:

- **What revenue is being changed and why?**

The Federal/State Revenue for FY 2008 is being increased by \$54,480

- **What budgets are increased/decreased?**

Juvenile Services Division Pass Through is increased \$50,426

Central Indirect is increased \$1,155

Department Indirect is increased \$2,899

- **What do the changes accomplish?**

Pass Through increases \$50,426 to Court Appointed Special Advocates Volunteer Program to provide advocates to children.

- **Do any personnel actions result from this budget modification? Explain.**

N/A

- **How will the county indirect, central finance and human resources and departmental overhead costs be covered?**

County Central indirect and Department indirect are covered by the grant.

- **Is the revenue one-time-only in nature? Will the function be ongoing? What plans are in place to identify a sufficient ongoing funding stream?**

The revenue is on-going

- **If a grant, what period does the grant cover?**

July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008

- **If a grant, when the grant expires, what are funding plans?**

N/A

<p><i>NOTE: If a Budget Modification or a Contingency Request attach a Budget Modification Expense & Revenues Worksheet and/or a Budget Modification Personnel Worksheet.</i></p>

ATTACHMENT B

BUDGET MODIFICATION: DCJ - 14

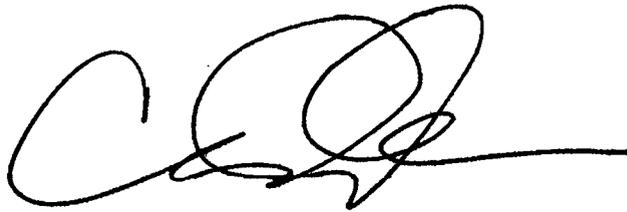
Required Signatures

**Elected Official or
Department/
Agency Director:**

John Anderson for Scott Taylor

Date: 11/29/07

Budget Analyst:



Date: 11/29/07

Department HR:

Date:

Countywide HR:

Date:

Budget Modification ID: **DCJ-14**

EXPENDITURES & REVENUES

Please show an increase in revenue as a negative value and a decrease as a positive value for consistency with MERLIN.

Budget/Fiscal Year: 2008

Line No.	Fund Center	Fund Code	Program #	Func. Area	Accounting Unit			Cost Element	Current Amount	Revised Amount	Change Increase/ (Decrease)	Subtotal	Description
					Internal Order	Cost Center	WBS Element						
1	50-50	23130	50012A	50			CJ012.CASA	50180	(97,910)	(152,390)	(54,480)		Incr Revenue
2										0	(54,480)		CASA Revenue
3	50-50	23130	50012A	50			CJ012.CASA	60160	90,624	141,050	50,426		Incr Pass Through
4	50-50	23130	50012A	50			CJ012.CASA	60350	2,075	3,230	1,155		Incr Central Indirect 2.29%
5	50-50	23130	50012A	50			CJ012.CASA	60355	5,211	8,110	2,899		Incr Dept Indirect 5.75%
6										0	54,480		CASA
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8	19	1000		20			9500001000	50310		(1,155)	(1,155)		Indirect reimb rev GF
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10										0	0		Central indirect
11	50-00	1000		50		509600		50370		(2,899)	(2,899)		Indirect Dept reimb rev GF
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MULTNOMAH COUNTY
AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (short form)

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Meeting Date: 01/10/08
Agenda Item #: R-3
Est. Start Time: 9:40 AM
Date Submitted: 12/27/07

Agenda Title: **First Reading of a Proposed ORDINANCE Amending Multnomah County Code Chapter 29.504 Relating to Transportation Code Enforcement**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.

Requested Meeting Date: January 10, 2008 **Amount of Time Needed:** 5 minutes
Department: Community Services **Division:** Land Use and Transportation
Contact(s): Michael Grimmatt
Phone: 503 988-5050 **Ext.** (29640) **I/O Address:** 455/116
Presenter(s): Michael Grimmatt, Jed Tomkins

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Adopt an Ordinance to amend the Multnomah County Code for transportation (right-of-way) code enforcement.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

The Ordinance proposed will clearly establish the County has the authority to enforce transportation (right-of-way) regulations and rules through the code compliance program authorized under Ordinance 1096.

The Code Compliance office is located within the Land Use and Transportation Program, part of the Vibrant Communities Program Offer. An amended enforcement code will strengthen the County's ability to ensure clean, healthy neighborhoods and promote a vibrant sense of community.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

The County may incur costs to abate a right-of-way or other transportation related violation, and then recover that cost from a property owner or person responsible. Funds may be generated by civil fines assessed and collected, or liens placed, by the County for non-compliance with County regulations.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

The amended enforcement code language will clearly establish the County's process for enforcing violations of transportation regulations and rules.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

None.

Required Signature

**Elected Official
or Department/
Agency Director:**



Date: 12/27/07

Jerry Elliot

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

ORDINANCE NO. _____

Amending MCC § 29.504 Relating to Transportation Code Enforcement

(Language ~~stricken~~ is deleted; double underlined language is new.)

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. As allowed under ORS 368.011, on July 26, 2007, the Board adopted Ordinance 1096 amending MCC Chapter 37, Administration and Procedures, relating to various matters including the enforcement of transportation code and rules.
- b. For consistency with the new enforcement program authorized under Ordinance 1096, and the amendment to MCC § 37.0915, and because the County's rules and manuals adopted pursuant to Chapter MCC 29. 500 to 29.630 may be interpreted to require a different enforcement program, it is necessary to amend MCC § 29.504 to clearly establish that the new enforcement program is applicable to the rules and manuals adopted under this subchapter.

Multnomah County Ordains as follows:

Section 1. MCC 29.504 is amended as follows:

29.504 Administration And Enforcement.

(A) The director shall be responsible for administering this subchapter and all rules adopted under it.

(B) ~~The director shall be responsible for the enforcement of this subchapter and all rules adopted under it.~~ The director shall have the authority to initiate enforcement proceedings.

(C) Consistent with MCC 37.0915 and notwithstanding any provision of this subchapter or the rules or manuals adopted hereunder, the director shall enforce this subchapter, and the rules and manuals adopted hereunder as provided in MCC §§ 37.0910 through 37.0970.

FIRST READING:

January 10, 2008

SECOND READING AND ADOPTION:

January 17, 2008

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

Ted Wheeler, Chair

REVIEWED:

AGNES SOWLE, COUNTY ATTORNEY
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

By _____
Matthew O. Ryan, Assistant County Attorney

SUBMITTED BY:

M. Cecilia Johnson, Director, Dept. of Community Services



MULTNOMAH COUNTY
AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (short form)

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Meeting Date: 01/10/08
 Agenda Item #: R-4
 Est. Start Time: 9:45 AM
 Date Submitted: 01/03/08

Agenda Title: **Update on the Progress of Field Based Work Release**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.

Requested Meeting Date: January 10, 2008 **Amount of Time Needed:** 15 minutes
Department: Sheriff **Division:** Corrections
Contact(s): Christine Kirk
Phone: 503.988.4301 **Ext.** 84301 **I/O Address:** 503/350
Presenter(s): Captain Bobbi Luna, Program Manager Byron Moore

General Information

- 1. What action are you requesting from the Board?**
 Briefing
- 2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.**
 Field Based Work Release began operation in October of 2007. The Board of County Commissioners asked for an update on program after three months of operation.
- 3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).**
- 4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.**
- 5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.**

Required Signature

**Elected Official or
 Department/
 Agency Director:**

Date: January 2, 2008



MULTNOMAH COUNTY
AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (short form)

Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 01/10/08
Agenda Item #: R-5
Est. Start Time: 10:00 AM
Date Submitted: 12/24/07

Agenda Title: Six-Year Community Plan to Improve Outcomes for Children and Families in Multnomah County

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.

Requested Meeting Date: January 10, 2008 **Amount of Time Needed:** 20 minutes
Department: Non Departmental **Division:** Commission on Children, Families & Community
Contact(s): Wendy Lebow or Joshua Todd
Phone: 503-988-6981 **Ext.** 86981 **I/O Address:** 167/1/200/CCFC
Presenter(s): Wendy Lebow, Joshua Todd, Carla Piluso (invited)

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

The CCFC requests the County Board adopt the 6-Year Community Plan to Improve Outcomes for Children and Families in Multnomah County. This Plan is required by the Oregon Commission on Children and Families (OCCF), based on Senate Bill 555, which is legislation from 1999. Approved plans are due by January 14, 2008.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

Senate Bill 555 requires the each local commission, as part of the statewide Commission on Children and Families system, create a comprehensive, coordinated, community plan. The Multnomah County Commission on Children, Families and Community (MCCFC) created the first plan for Multnomah County in 2001.

This is the first full rewrite of the Plan and represents a shift in State direction. Multnomah County's previous plan was required to create plans around all 19 High Level Outcomes related the children, youth and families. State requirements related to creating the current plan have local plans focus on those areas that data and community members pointed to where the most impact and tangible results could be obtained. Further, the State requires each locality to measure, for six years,

progress on one to five issue areas.

The Executive Summary of the Plan outlines the research and community indicators and feedback that led to the selection of these issues as well as the specific strategies, expected results, and data we will track to show success.

The two overarching goals selected locally are poverty reduction and increasing student success for all young people. For each of these overarching goals, MCCFC and community partners will be tracking several interim indicators to show meaningful improvements that will impact these goals.

Specifically, in terms of measurable outcomes related to the overarching issue of poverty reduction and student success, activities will include expanding School Based Health Clinics and use of Earned Income Tax Credit and the Advanced Earned Income Tax Credit.

Next steps include planning for strategies around the issue of increasing student success for all young people. A series of strategies and measures will be proposed for that issue area, in collaboration with education advocates, youth and parents, researchers, County and school staff. Particular care is being taken to avoid duplicating the work of other local partners in the area of student achievement. These strategies and measures will come back to the full Board for approve to the 6-Year Community Plan.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

There is no direct fiscal impact to the 6-Year Community Plan.

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

Adoption of the 6-Year Community Plan by the Board is required under S.B. 555. This plan is meant to shape County planning and investments in areas identified by community members and the Board's advisors on Children, Youth, Families, and Poverty policy, the MCCFC.

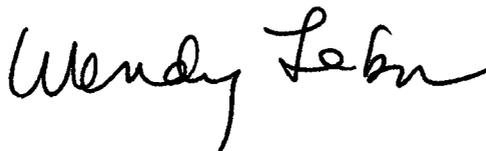
5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

The development of the 6-Year Community Plan was driven by a volunteer citizen steering committee that began meeting in June of 2007. This committee was comprised of service providers, students, advocates, MCCFC Board members, staff from City of Portland and Representative Blumenauer's office. In addition. More than 150 community members were engaged in the development process.

Once adopted, the MCCFC will take the lead role in convening community partners around each of the selected focus issues and continue building community buy-in and investment. It is expected that the MCCFC will not necessarily lead the work in each area, but will help bring resources (people, research, and funds) to the community coalitions that coalesce around implementing each focus issue.

Required Signature

**Elected Official or
Department/
Agency Director:**



Date: 12/14/07

**IMPROVING OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES
of MULTNOMAH COUNTY**

Six-year Community Plan

January 2, 2008

Words and thoughts
concerning compassionate
action that are not put into
practice are like beautiful
flowers that are colorful but
have no fragrance.

Thich Nhat Hanh

Multnomah County Commission on Children, Families & Community
Wendy Lebow, Director
Joshua Todd, Lead Community Planner
Anna Aguilar, Assistant Community Planner (April 07-Oct 07)
Tamara Bertell, Assistant Community Planner (Nov 07-Jan 08)

Executive Summary

This Executive Summary of the ***Six-year Community Plan for Improving Outcomes for Children and Families of Multnomah County*** reviews the process, findings and focus issues that were selected. The Six-year Community Plan fulfills a requirement of the Oregon Legislature, Senate Bill 555, to engage in local, coordinated, comprehensive planning for how to best focus efforts on behalf of children, youth and families. While the planning process is convened by the Multnomah County Commission on Children, Families & Community, it is intended and designed to be a community process. The resulting focus issues that emerge from the plan will be viewed as important goals by a broad array of entities.

The Process

In the past few years, Multnomah County has benefited from having many reports, community engagement efforts, and research that have identified key issues, gaps, barriers, and successful strategies for achieving success in our community. Most significantly, "Our Bill of Rights: Children & Youth," was a youth-created statement of the conditions necessary to make the County a great place to grow up and live; United Way's Community Assessment Report provided a comprehensive look at our diverse community's current demographics, especially where disparities based on race or income were compounding social issues; and the City of Portland's VisionPDX 2030 plan gathered input from over 13,000 residents. Reviewing this wealth of information, it became clear that locally we already had many answers to vital community questions: "what issues are important," "what works well," and "where should we focus." The local process reflects the local context, and we took a "meta-analysis" approach, using Multnomah County specific data from 2003 or after.

Rather than asking people the background questions to help identify key issues in the community, staff focused on compiling and reviewing the recent reports, research, and community planning efforts that identified these issues first. After reviewing the reports, staff created a matrix of issues that related either to a specific State-determined High Level Outcome [HLO] or an issue identified by community reports. The matrix displayed how many times each issue was called out across multiple reports.

At the same time this research was being conducted, a community-based Steering Committee for the Six-year Plan formed. Steering Committee members learned how Multnomah County was doing on each of the State High Level Outcomes and whether the data trends for specific outcomes were improving, stable, or worsening. Steering Committee members discussed key issues not represented by the State HLOs and added new issues to this list. When compared to the meta-analysis, community members matched four of the top five issues identified in the research! This finding verified that the meta-analysis approach was valid and useful.

Steering Committee members helped improve the breadth of the research by reviewing the matrix and identifying gaps in the data collection. Importantly, the committee directed staff to focus on economic and racial disparities in each issue area, and to report back on those issues where the disparities were most evident. As a result, new reports were found that voiced the issues of diverse community members, such as: "Uniting Cultures in Portland: Bridging the Gaps in City Policy," created by members of local immigrant and refugee communities; "Listening to Consumers: Conversations about Community and Social Services in Portland & Multnomah

County," which reflects the views of service recipients, including many people of color and low-income residents; and "Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities in Multnomah County: 1990-2004," which provides detailed health information.

Among the 36 reports reviewed for the planning process, background information was broken-out in the following ways:

- Ten contained demographic and/or trend data or original research,
- Sixteen were strategic plans or program assessments of community services, and
- Ten provided findings from community engagement efforts.

While it is difficult to determine the exact number of people engaged in the creation of all 36 reports, a conservative estimate would suggest that 20,000 Multnomah County residents provided input into the 10 reports created from community engagement efforts. For instance, VisionPDX, as already mentioned, engaged 13,000. The report "Uniting Cultures in Portland: Bridging the Gaps in City Policy" engaged 500, primarily immigrant and refugee members of the community through interviews, public meetings, sociodramas, social events, and other culturally appropriate activities. Reports from the Chalkboard Projects were based on two years of interviews, focus groups, and surveying of thousands of Oregonians about their perceptions and aspirations for our education system. We are fortunate for this recorded, diverse community input.

After the Steering Committee merged the top issues identified by research and community members they identified those issues that were most frequently identified. This generated a list of 19 key issues that would need to be prioritized down to five or fewer focus issues. To assist in selection, the Steering Committee developed the following criteria for selecting the focus issues:

- 1) Successful Strategies - programs already exist**
- 2) Activity will motivate and engage community**
- 3) Measurable, tangible results and with achievable benchmarks**
- 4) Has broad impact on community that also addresses disparities**

Staff reviewed current County policy direction, including the Poverty Elimination Framework and Multnomah County Commission on Children, Families and Community (CCFC) funding guidelines, and engaged elected officials to determine their criteria for selecting issues. Based on the criteria and all the data collected, steering committee members identified four key issues: **Poverty, Health Care, Affordable Housing, and Parent Resources** (including Child Care) as the broad issues to explore more deeply. Since these areas were too broad to include as our selected focus issues, key sub-issues within each broad area were studied, and are summarized in the table below. Staff gathered additional research in each of these areas, and invited community experts to share effective research-based practices to elicit positive outcomes in the chosen areas.

Issue Areas and Key Sub-Issues

Health Care	Parental Resources	Housing	Poverty
Substance Abuse	Prenatal Education	Affordability	Child Poverty
Dental Health	Child Care	Homelessness	Income Security
Affordability	Parent Education	Family Housing	Food Security
Accessibility			Economic/Job Development
Mental Health			

Within each chosen issue area, specific effective strategies were highlighted. Steering committee members, using their selected criteria, reviewed these strategies and each member was given three votes to assign across all the possible options (*numbers in parenthesis are total votes*).

Steering Committee Prioritizing of Issue Areas

Parent Resources	Poverty	Affordable Housing	Health Care
Tiered step-down off of TANF support families (9)	HS Completion campaign (18)	Schools, Family, Housing Initiative (7)	Increase access to school-based health centers (12)
Increase prenatal relationship-based care (1)	Economic Opportunity Initiative (7)	Target foster care youth help stabilize their transition (5)	Create County Office of Prevention (9)
PSA campaign on health birth ed and parent ed/211 (1)	Increase use of Earned Income Tax Credit (8)	Economic Development/Home ownership (1)	

The steering committee identified five draft focus issues (*shaded boxes in table*) and then took these issues to community groups for feedback, adjustment, and input. Staff met with the Early Childhood Council and the Child Care Committee made up of service providers, Head Start staff, early childhood mental health and County staff; the Child, Youth & Family Network brought the voices of low-income parents and child abuse prevention professionals, and the Multnomah Youth Commission (40 young people ages 13-21, with about one-third youth of color and one-third low-income youth).

Concurrently, focus groups of low-income workers helped develop strategies around the poverty focus issue. Several focus groups on prevention strategies included culturally specific providers, county staff, social service providers, school district staff, and youth.

These groups helped direct planning efforts, shape the strategies and focus issues presented to the CCFC Board (29 members, including 1/3 people living on a low-income and 40% people of color). Based on all of this feedback, the potential list of focus issues went from five to three, eliminating a proposed focus issue that would have created an Office of Prevention within Multnomah County due to the County's current financial circumstances. A fifth focus issue, which would have looked at increasing support for families transitioning off of Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, was eliminated because the impact of the issue was less severe than originally thought, and that inclusion of these families could be added to the Poverty Focus

Issue. The Six-Year Community Plan Steering Committee and the CCFC Board advocated strongly and consistently for a specific focus on the disparities that exist in our community, across issue areas, caused by ethnic and racial discrimination and poverty. The work in each focus issue will highlight the needs of Multnomah County's children and families of color and those living in poverty.

Diverse Engagement

The 2006 American Community Survey reported that: Multnomah County's population is comprised of approximately 20% people of color; approximately 15% of all residents lived in poverty; 20% of all children lived in poverty, and 26% of all residents under the age of 21 (23% under 18). These numbers alone demonstrate the importance of having the voices of people of color, low-income residents, and youth fully incorporated into our planning and policy efforts. More importantly though, our community experiences significant disparities between the wealth, education, health and social well-being between residents who are white and residents of color or who are low-income. For example:

- Twenty-six percent (26%) of African Americans & Latinos and 20% of Native Americans lived in poverty compared to 10% of white families (2000 US Census);
- When compared to Whites, African Americans experienced disparities on 11 out of 17 health indicators. Latinos and Native Americans experienced 5 out of 17, and Asians 3 out of 17 (Multnomah County Health Department); and
- African American adolescents are almost 3 times more likely to be referred to the juvenile justice system than their white counterparts and have the highest detention rate of all races (Multnomah County Department of Justice).

Multnomah County is home to more than 670,000 people, including many diverse ethnic, cultural, and religious communities. We worked to ensure that the development of this Six-year Plan represented as many of these diverse voices as possible. Multnomah County's racial, ethnic, cultural, and religious communities were included as issue experts, lead researchers, or participants of a community assessment, as well as by reviewing drafts of the 6-year Plan focus issues and strategies as they were developed.

Diverse community members were represented by the Steering Committee. The 18-member Steering Committee included three young people, five service providers- including three culturally specific providers, and six representatives from school/government agencies including the County Chair's office, staff from an office of a U.S. Representative, Juvenile justice, and Commission on Children, Families & Community board members.

Overall, the process engaged over 200 individuals directly. While every effort was made in the planning process to build on the wisdom and experiences of our diverse community members, we know there is continued work to do. During the implementation phase, especially when developing strategies with a specific cultural, socioeconomic, and age groups, efforts will continue to build relationships and partnerships. It is important to "expand the table," so that even more people living on low-incomes, youth, members of the African American, Asian, Latino, Native American, Slavic and other cultural communities can join with current partners to create effective strategies and activities to create positive change. We must make particular care to engage members from the faith communities and businesses. We will continue in the

direction our Steering Committee and CCFC Board led and ensure our work focuses on the unacceptable disparities caused by poverty and racial and ethnic bias that limit the human, social, and economic potential of all our children and families. It is within this context that the top 19 issues of concern emerged.

The Issues

The table below identifies the pressing issues along with the number of the 36 reports and community assessments used in our meta-analysis that called out the issue. Steering committee members were presented the original report matrix with just the 19 HLOs tracked in the first Six-year County Comprehensive Coordinated Plan (for 2002-07).

Issues identified by steering committee members outside of those covered in the last Six-year Plan are bolded, issues where Multnomah County is below the State benchmark are denoted by a (*).

Access to Comprehensive Health Care* 22/36	Poverty* 19/36	Affordable Housing* & Home Ownership 15/36	Adult Substance Abuse* 14/36	Child care availability* 14/36	Child Maltreatment* 13/36
High School Drop Out Rate 12/36	Unemployment Rate* 12/36	Domestic Violence 11/36	Per Capita Income* 11/36	Labor Force Skill Training 9/36	Food Security 9/36
Readiness to Learn 8/36	Homelessness* 8/36	Student Alcohol Use* 7/36	Community Engagement 6/36	Prenatal Care* 6/36	3 rd Grade Reading 6/36

Critical community issues that weren't reflected in the 19 included student tobacco use, 8th grade reading, environmental sustainability, juvenile arrests, student drug use, juvenile recidivism, youth aging out of foster care and youth suicide. The Commission and its committees and board members believe there are strong community partners doing work in these areas and want the State to know that these are important issue areas that we cannot forget. These issues need attention even if not represented in the Six-year Community Plan.

Our Focus

Through many rounds of deduction and input from both the Steering Committee and the CCFC Board, our Six-Year Community Plan will focus on the following two broad areas:

- 1) Improve academic success and high school completion rate by increasing access to medical care and other strategies developed by a community process in spring and summer of 2008; and
- 2) Decrease poverty rates for families with children, particularly for low-wager earners.

Issue 1

Improve academic success & high school completion

Data

The 2002 report, *Closing the Achievement Gap: How Schools Are Making It Happen*, from the Journal of the Annenberg Challenge found that:

"Roughly two-thirds of African American fourth graders, and about as many Latino and Native American children in fourth grade perform below the basic level in reading on the National Assessment of Educational Progress. This gap between these students' level of performance and what they are expected to know and be able to do persists through middle school and high school and results in large numbers of young people of color being unable to enter college or secure high-paying jobs, which subsequently produces the 'economic apartheid' that divides adult income levels and employment rates along racial and ethnic lines". (p. 8)

Additionally, the report went on to say that:

"Educators recognize that the achievement gap has multiple causes and needs to be tackled on multiple fronts, from changing instructional practices and increasing parent involvement to helping students of color feel more comfortable in school. At the same time, educators acknowledge that the gaps also reflect larger problems endemic to our society, and that while schools' efforts can help solve the problem, they may not eliminate the gaps altogether. (p.4)

Locally, fewer than half of high school students in PPS follow the conventional secondary school path of beginning high school as a 14-year old and rising, year by year, with no repeats, and in the same high school. - Technical Report on Data Collection, Analysis, and Findings for the Portland Public Schools Class of 2004. ConnectedX25

Root Causes

The issue of poor academic achievement is too complex to reduce down to one or two root causes. In fact, research calls out factors that lead to academic failure and disconnection that go back not just to freshman year or middle school but before some students even walk in the school door for kindergarten, and indeed before some students are even born. Some causes of academic failure including fetal alcohol and drug exposure, homelessness, or developmental disabilities are completely out of the hands of the student and will not respond well to individual level interventions. Other factors like institutional racism, poverty, and lack of culturally appropriate services need community-wide solutions that look at how to change the educational systems in which students live, learn, and grow. Our work over the next several months will be to identify those strategies and strategic approaches that will allow us to create positive change but that also look at the systemic changes needed and the individual supports necessary to create success.

Strategic Approaches/work & levels of participants/intended results

In our community, several high-level, community-wide collaborations exist that are currently studying this issue along with the most effective strategies to impact academic success and high school completion. Over the next several months the Commission will meet and convene

with these experts to determine the pieces of their research-supported agendas that should become part of the Community Plan. Our intention is not to duplicate efforts, but to add value and advance the most effective strategies our community has identified. The CCFC Board will help lead this process and based on the feedback and engagement of groups like the SUN Coordinating Council, Latino Network Academic Success workgroup, Connected by 25, and the East County Memorandum of Understanding education workgroup we hope to identify strategies that our community has determined will be successful and then determine the best ways to support those strategies. Again, we know that this is not the CCFC Plan, but the Community Plan and that our role is to spotlight the best thinking in our community and convene a broad based community coalition that can move the agenda of academic success even faster towards our goals. One area already identified as a best practice to improve student academic success is ensuring all students have quality medical care.

Issue 2

Reduce barriers to educational success and increase connection to schools by increasing child & youth access to medical care

Data

The 2003 Healthy Teen Survey reported that in Multnomah County 58% of 8th graders and 80% of 11th graders were currently sexually active. Additionally, 53% of 8th graders and 44% of 11th graders had not received an annual physical exam or check-up in the previous year. Currently, Multnomah County funds 12 School-Based health clinics and 1 teen clinic in East County. Due to budget constraints much of our community's current teen medical care capacity is funded with one-time only money. Feedback from youth involved in the Community Planning process called out access to medical care as a vital and pressing community need that needs to be addressed as a community.

Further, Oregon's Department of Human Services, Office of Family Health Services, Adolescent Health Section, reported that student health status does impact educational outcomes by reducing class absenteeism. For example, recent Department survey findings from student clinic users reported that 51% of students did not miss a class while using clinic services, and that 77% estimated that they would have missed one or more classes if they had had to leave school to go to a traditional clinic.

Moreover, high levels of resiliency, developmental assets, and school connectedness positively affect academic performance, and as SBHCs continue demonstrating their impact on health and wellness outcomes, they have the potential to affect academic performance indirectly.

Though national research has yet to find direct linkages between SBHCs and academic outcomes, many desirable relationships among several indicators have been found such as promotion to next grade, withdrawal and dropout rates, graduation rates, education aspirations, credit accumulation, standardized test scores, and tardiness. One of the most important things to remember is that academic performance is negatively affected by factors such as substance abuse, emotional problems, poor diet, intentional injuries, physical illness, low self-esteem, risky sexual behavior, and lack of access to health care.

Root Causes

Untreated medical problems can lead to increased absence from school and inability to concentrate while in attendance. The reasons youth lack access to medical care include basic

factors such as lack of family insurance, lack of transportation to and knowledge of existing services, and lack of family or personal resources to pay for services. Young people whose families do have medical insurance, transportation, and resources to pay for medical treatment may be unwilling to access their family's resources because of family abuse, fear of parents reaction to their child being sexually active, using drugs &/or alcohol, nonconformative gender identity, or sexual orientation. For some youth not accessing parent resources to secure medical care is simply a developmentally appropriate desire for privacy, autonomy, and independence.

Strategic Approach

Over the next 6 years we plan to focus our efforts in the area of Community Mobilization through two key strategies: 1) a youth-led marketing campaign increasing youth awareness of existing community health resources and, 2) an adult-led effort to increase non-County financial resources to help stabilize and expand our current system.

Work & Levels of Participants

- Youth led by the Multnomah Youth Commission and Youth Bill of Rights implementation committee will develop marketing materials and messages to create increased awareness and usage of existing clinic resources. The young people as well as staff of the Multnomah County Health Department's School-Based Health Center program and the Department of County Human Services School-Based Mental Health program will distribute these marketing materials.
- The local Commission will convene community stakeholders to discuss strategies for increasing support for student medical care. This group will identify a local lead agency or agencies to seek business, community, corporate, and foundation support for existing and/or expansion of existing infrastructure.

Intended Results

- Increase youth reports of access to health care, specifically physical exams & check-ups, from 53% of 8th graders to 60% of 8th graders and 44% of 11th graders to 50% of 11 graders by 2014 as tracked by the Health Teen Survey. We will achieve these results by:
 - Increasing client base for school/community-based health centers by 20% (1015 clients).
- Reduce County funding obligation for the School-based health center program by 20%, we will achieve these results by:
 - Increasing community, business, and foundation support for medical services as well as increasing revenue from billing. (Program budget ~60% County General Fund to ~40%).

Issue 3

Decrease Child & Family Poverty by increasing low-income families financial and social assets

Data

Brandeis University's Asset Development Institute in the Center on Hunger and Poverty found that not only do most low-income families lack liquid assets, but also that few have the financial resources to invest in ways that would improve their financial situation in the long-term. The Corporation for Enterprise Development found that for a family to be economically secure, they

need: (1) a steady and predictable income to pay for basic needs; (2) savings and assets such as a car—possible only when income allows a family to more than simply “get by;” and (3) human and social capital (including education, experience, skills and professional networks) to obtain better-paying jobs.

Since 2003, the Anne E. Casey Foundation has researched, documented, and promoted programs to increase family economic success for families with children through federal, state, and local initiatives. The foundation has identified the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) as one of the most effective methods of increasing income for “working poor” families. For a minimum-wage worker with two children, the EITC has the same impact as a 40% hike in annual earnings, according to research by Harvard University sociologists Christopher Jencks and Scott Winship. The Internal Revenue Service estimated that 25-30% of eligible households do not claim their EITC, which means that they do not receive this added income, and even fewer receive (approximately 3%) Advanced EITC (AEITC) benefits. The total AEITC credit is currently \$1,648, which for Oregon’s minimum wage earners equates to an income equivalent of over 200 hours of work. Additionally, Internal Revenue Service records from 2006 indicated that only 3,500 low-income households (approximately 2%) utilized free tax preparation services in Multnomah County.

Root Causes

Poverty can have a powerful negative impact on families, increasing their feelings of economic insecurity and social disconnection. Lack of access to the financial and social assets necessary to meet your basic needs and connect with possible development opportunities like higher paying jobs, internships, scholarships and various other perks that come from having connected friends and associates puts low-income individuals and families at a disadvantage. Increasing these connections helps improve the number of possibilities and opportunities for self-sufficiency. Existing programs like EITC and local programs like OregonHelps!, the Beehive, and the CCFC’s Family Economic Security project all help to address the root causes of poverty by increasing either financial and/or social assets of low-income families and individuals.

Although the Annie E. Casey Foundation identified the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) as our country’s “most effective anti-poverty program,” very few local employers inform or enroll their workers in the AEITC program or offer free tax preparation assistance. The majority of low-income households that file taxes either complete their own forms or pay to have them prepared and can be encouraged to take out high interest “refund anticipation” loans.

Strategic Approach

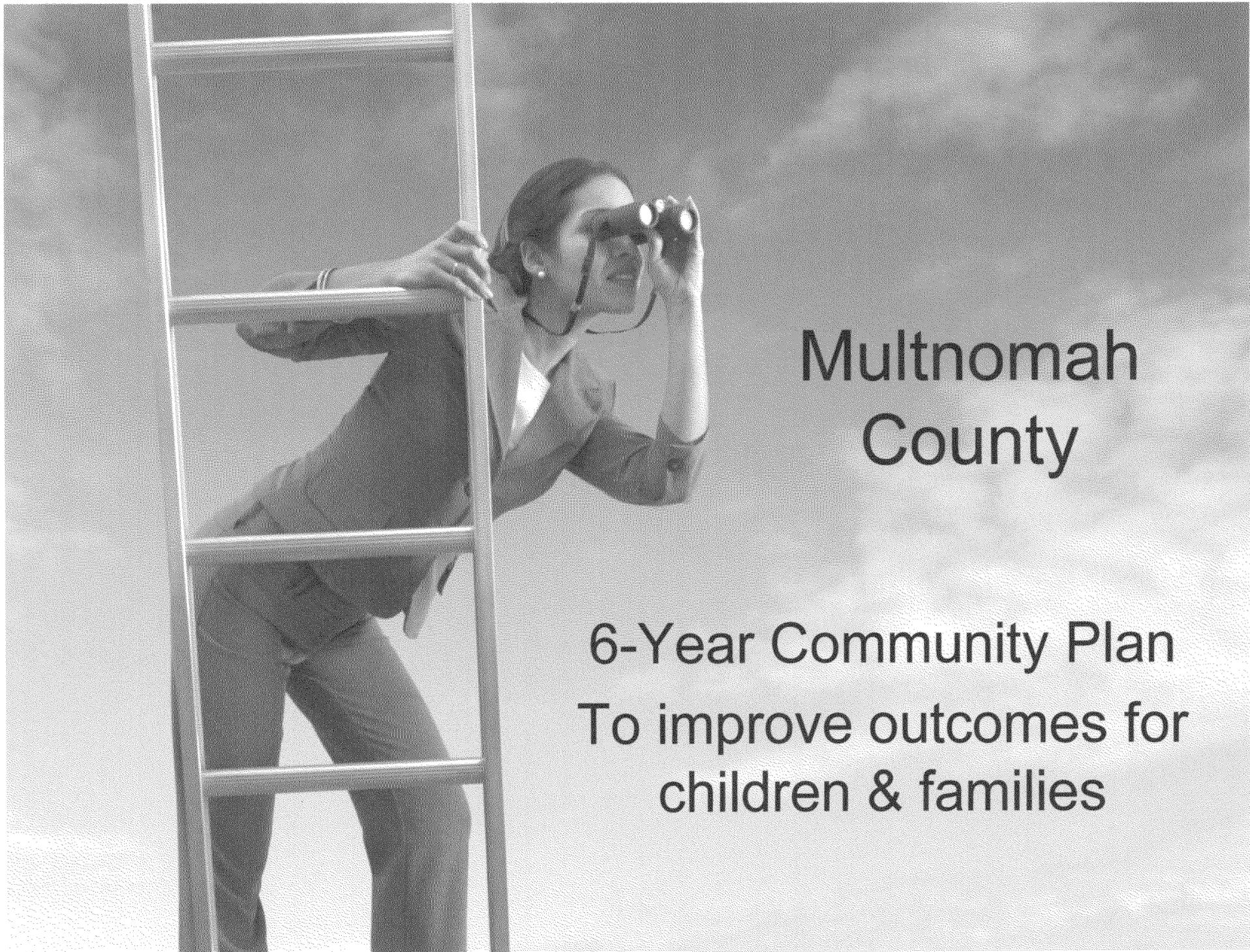
Over the next six years, we plan to focus our efforts in the area of Community Mobilization through the Family Economic Security (FES) project to conduct outreach to local employers on the benefits of the AEITC for their low- and-moderate income employees. Taking advantage of the AEITC will allow a large percentage of low- and moderate-income workers to lift themselves above the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). Employers will also be encouraged to offer free tax preparation assistance to their employees and the CCFC and community partners will work to provide additional resource information like OregonHelps!, Beehive, and other resources to families at the free tax preparation sites.

Work & Levels of Participants

- CCFC will convene local funders to focus attention on a broad-based effort to reduce poverty in Multnomah County through utilizing research proven effective practices.
- The Family Economic Security (FES) project staff will initially contact 60 local employers to provide support for company-sponsored AEITC campaigns.
- 30 initial employers will receive campaign materials to inform employees about the program and offer opportunities for enrollment.
- Employers will receive FES project assistance in setting up free tax workshops for their employees.
- CCFC will advertise free tax preparation services provided by CASH Oregon, AARP, Internal Revenue Service, and other community partners to increase participation.

Intended Results

- By 2014 75% of program participants (low- and-moderate income employees) incomes will rise above the Federal Poverty Line guidelines. (Due to confidentiality restrictions this outcome may be determined by average estimated returns and average, estimated income of participants since IRS does not allow you to require participants provide this information). We will achieve this result by:
 - Having 1000 low-income residents file for AEITC/EITC
 - Providing 300 low- and moderate-income employees free tax assistance and resources on financial education opportunities.
 - Recruiting 60 local employers to participate in the FES project by 2014.



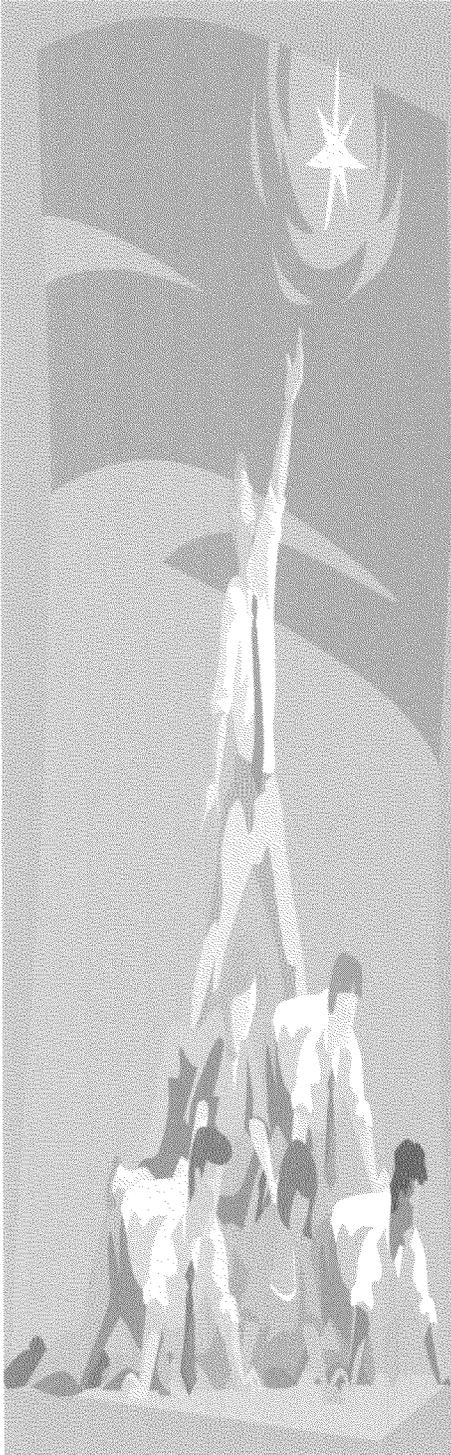
Multnomah County

6-Year Community Plan
To improve outcomes for
children & families

STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- Monica Ford- CCFC Board Member/Morrison Child & Family Services
- Marilyn Miller- CCFC Board Member
- Nancy Anderson- Multnomah Educational Service District
- Mindy Coolidge*- Hands on Greater Portland
- Sage Dilts- Office of Rep. Earl Blumenauer
- Julie Dodge- Substance Abuse/Prevention consultant
- E. Dominguez- Youth
- Leslie Esinga*- New Columbia
- Ray Espana- Native American Youth & Family Center
- Gloria Fluker- Self Enhancement, Inc (SEI)
- Shane Gill- Multnomah Youth Commission
- Dave Koch- Dept. of Community Justice (Juvenile)
- Sandra Lemus*- Head Start Parent
- Meg McElroy- Children's Investment Fund (City of Portland)
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- Nathan Teske*- El Programa Hispano
- Barbara Willer- Office of County Chair Ted Wheeler

*These members provided feedback via email



Building Upon Your Foundation

Staff Reviewed 36 Community Reports

- Reports from 2003-2007
- Had to include Multnomah County Specific data
- Looked specifically for reports which highlighted data, trends, and perspectives of members of communities of color and low-income communities

Of the 36 Reports we reviewed:

- 10 were based on demographic/trend data or original research (United Way Community Assessment, Connected by 25)
- 16 were strategic plans or assessments of community services (Health Department Health Disparities Report, Department of Community Justice strategic plan)
- 10 were findings from community engagement efforts (VisionPDX, Our Bill of Rights: Children & Youth, United Cultures in Portland).



BROAD ISSUES SELECTED

Health Care	Parental Resources	Housing	Poverty
Substance Abuse	Prenatal Education	Affordability	Child Poverty
Dental Health	Child Care	Homelessness	Income Security
Affordability	Parent Education	Family Housing	Food Security
Accessibility			Economic/Job Development
Mental Health			

Issues Identified by Topic Experts

Parent Resources	Poverty	Affordable Housing	Health Care
Tiered step-down off of TANF support families (9)	HS Completion campaign (18)	Schools, Family, Housing Initiative (7)	Increase access to school-based health centers (12)
Increase prenatal relationship-based care (1)	Economic Opportunity Initiative (7)	Target foster care youth help stabilize their transition (5)	Create County Office of Prevention (9)
PSA campaign on healthy birth education & parent education/211 (1)	Increase use of Earned Income Tax Credit (8)	Economic Development/Home ownership (1)	
Professionalize child-care as career (0)			5

Revision to the 6-year Plan

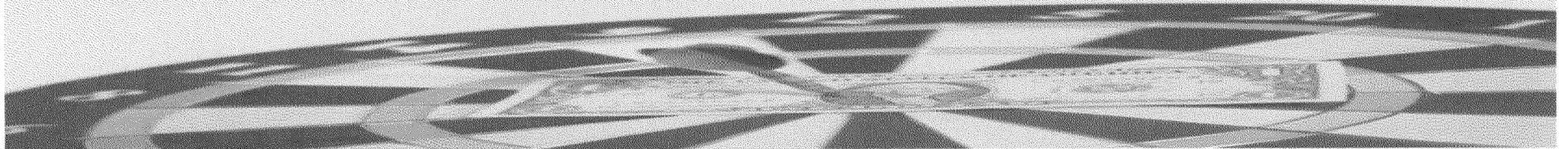
- Better integration of CCFC work into plan and clearer messaging of our intent
- Highlight focus on disparities
 - Strengthened language in Executive Summary
 - Call out disparity data in community issues, gaps & barriers worksheets to State
- Broader Focus
 - Reduce poverty & improve educational success
 - 3 focus issues directed towards 2 High Level Outcomes

OUR FOCUS

- 1) Improve academic success and high school completion rate by increasing access to medical care and other strategies developed by a community process in spring and summer of 2008; and
- 2) Decrease poverty rates for children & families by increasing economic and social assets for the working poor.

DRAFT 6-Year Focus Issues

- **Improve academic success & high school completion - TBD 2008**
- ***Reduce barriers to educational success and increase connection to schools by increasing child & youth access to medical care***
 - Strategic Approach: Community Mobilization
 - Strategies
 - Youth-Led Marketing Campaign focused on increasing awareness and utilization of existing infrastructure
 - Coalition led effort to increase partnerships and private/public /community investment in existing infrastructure and targeted expansion.
 - Results
 - Increase self-reports of receiving physical exams in past year as tracked by the Healthy Teen Survey will achieve this result by:
 - » Increasing utilization of SBHC 20% (1015 new clients)
 - Decrease Dependence on CGF by 20% by:
 - » Increased State/Federal Billing, Grant Writing, Private support



DRAFT 6-Year Focus Issues

- ***Decrease Child & Family Poverty by increasing low-income working families financial and social assets***

Strategic Approach: Community Mobilization

- Strategies
 - Convene community funders to focus attention on a broad-based effort to reduce poverty.
 - Work with employers to educate and register low-income workers for Advanced Earned Income Tax Credit
 - Provide free tax preparation resources for low-income families to help maximize tax benefits and connect to existing supports (Beehive, Oregon Helps!, etc)
- Results
 - 75% of participants will increase incomes above Federal Poverty Level.
By:
 - » Having 1000 low-income resident file for AEITC/EITC
 - » Providing 300 low-income residents with free tax preparation
 - » Train and inform 60 employers on AEITC program

Moving Forward, Together

