



# MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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## Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 9/22/15  
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Date Submitted: 9/15/15

**Agenda Title:** Board Briefing on the Multnomah County Justice Reinvestment Program and related mid year budget adjustment and related grant application

<b>Requested Meeting Date:</b>	September 22, 2015	<b>Time Needed:</b>	30 minutes
<b>Department:</b>	Non-Departmental	<b>Division:</b>	LPSCC
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<b>Presenter Name(s) &amp; Title(s):</b>	Abbey Stamp, LPSCC Executive Director; Scott Taylor, DCJ Director; Rod Underhill, District Attorney; Linda Yankee, MCSO Chief Deputy, and members of the LPSCC Justice Reinvestment Steering Committee		

## General Information

### 1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

The Local Public Safety Coordinating Council requests the board review the budget adjustment recommendations for the Multnomah County Justice Reinvestment Program (MCJRP) made due to the change in funding from the state, review the allocation for community-based justice reinvestment victims services funds, and the plan for mandatory research and evaluation. All three components will be included in a grant application to the Criminal Justice Commission for consideration. This material is presented in preparation for the October 8, 2015 NOI and Budget Modification.

### 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.

This briefing impacts all program offers associated with HB3194 Justice Reinvestment. For FY16, County Departments submitted program offers based on the governor's budget (approximately \$6M for FY16). When the State budget passed, however, the funds decreased (\$4M for FY16). The budget presented reflects this change. The MCJRP Steering Committee prioritized a need for treatment readiness for this higher risk population.

In order to receive these funds, Multnomah County LPSCC will submit a grant application to the Criminal Justice Commission. The application will detail the MCJRP program, as well as the 10% for victims services and 3% for evaluation. The application provided guidance to priority areas for each.

MCJRP: The MCJRP continues the FY15 budgeted program, which supports comprehensive risk/needs assessment of defendants during the adjudication process, and wraparound services for those defendants who are supervised in the community rather than being sent to prison. MCJRP's budget also funds the administration necessary to support and continue the program. The program components remaining from the FY16 adopted budget include:

- Treatment readiness programming in MCSO custody (\$81,450 MCSO, \$214,500 DCJ)
- Part time criminal history specialist for MCDA (\$40,501)
- DCJ supervisor, to supervise 12 MCJRP staff (\$111,539)
- A developer to support DSSJ, evaluation, and data sharing (\$162,120)
- 10% of total funds for community-based victims services (see below)
- 3% of total funds for evaluation (see below)

Victims Services: Victims Services funds must be allocated through LPSCC to community-based agencies that serve victims of crime. The services must be trauma informed and focus on underserved communities. The County engaged in a transparent and collaborative process to release an RFPQ (Release for pre-qualification). This process involved internal and external experts in victims rights/services, the Office of Diversity and Equity, and a community outreach event. The proposals were scored and reviewed by many of the same stakeholders, and allocation recommendations were made. The following agencies will be listed in the CJC applicaton:

- Impact NW: \$41,865. Parent/Child Intervention Program funding to serve and treat 15 domestic violence impacted families in DHS Child Welfare (Gresham office)
- Oregon Crime Victims Law Center: \$178,634. Two lawyers to be embedded at the Gateway DV center. One attorney will be bilingual and focus on immigrant communities.
- Lutheran Community Services NW: \$180,000. Services and treatment for victims of non domestic violence and sexual assault crimes. Focus on marginalized communities.

Research/Evaluation: The CJC values Random Controlled Trials, and a study replicable in other Counties. For this reason, the LPSCC Justice Reinvestment Steering Committee proposes evaluating the use of peer mentors with MCJRP offenders. In conversation, the CJC supports this study.

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

Multnomah County continues to lead all other Oregon Counties by sending fewer offenders to prison. The County is keeping additional high-risk offenders in our community, which requires a high level of service, treatment, and supervision. For this reason, the budget

recommendations presented keep the level of MCJRP services stable with FY15, but without the robust program expansion anticipated. Each biennium, our County will need to be responsive and thoughtful as the state decides how much funding will be dedicated to the Justice Reinvestment Grant Program.

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

HB3194 and justice reinvestment aim to help the state avoid opening and building new prisons. Local programming and collaboration has focused on reducing the number of people sent to the Department of Corrections. Multnomah County is impacted by the state's decision to not grow the prison population. The local public safety system is required to be responsive and develop policies and practices that meet this goal, while reducing recidivism, having good outcomes for offenders and keeping the community safe.

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

LPSCC conducts open, collaborative meetings. Meeting attendees include all elected and appointed public safety leaders, public safety partners, community service and treatment providers, the business community, and community members.

**Required Signature**

**Elected Official**

**or Department/**

**Agency Director:**

Abbey Stamp, Director /s/

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**Date:**

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