



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 10/19/17
Agenda Item #: R.2
Est. Start Time: 10:40 am approx
Date Submitted: 10/4/17

Agenda Title: **Informational Board Briefing on Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative with Annie E. Casey Foundation.**

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but be sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date: 10/19/17 **Time Needed:** 30 minutes
Department: Department of Community Justice **Division:** Juvenile Services Division
Contact(s): Mary Geelan or Kathryn Sofich
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Deena Corso, Juvenile Services Division Director and Nate Balis, Director, Juvenile Justice Strategy Group

General Information

1. What are you requesting from the Board?

We are not requesting any formal action from the Board. We are presenting an update on our reform efforts and expect there to be some questions and comments.

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

Twenty-five years ago, Multnomah County engaged in a collaboration with the Annie E. Casey Foundation to implement the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI). Reform of our juvenile justice system focused on reducing reliance on secure confinement, increasing community capacity to serve the needs of justice-involved youth and their families, improving public safety by engaging in data-driven evidence based practices, and improving conditions in detention. The reform efforts have focused on maintaining public safety, holding youth accountable, making victims whole, collaborating with community partners and stakeholders, and reducing racial and gender disparities system wide. The Program Offer associated with this is PO50050.

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

For the last 25 years, the Foundation has provided uninterrupted funding to the county to support project management, pilot programs, data driven decision making and coordination and collaboration with other JDAI leaders. Additionally, these reforms have resulted in cost savings to tax payers, as well as improved local stewardship of our limited and valuable resources.

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

Multnomah County has capitalized on these efforts by creating and implementing working agreements and active partnerships with schools, community providers, law enforcement,

the district attorney, the defense bar, the judiciary, the child welfare system and the Oregon Youth Authority.

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

Multnomah County has been established as a model JDAI site, which means other jurisdictions from across the nation are invited to come to Multnomah to participate in a two day experiential, peer to peer, learning laboratory, demonstrating our process for change and see firsthand the measurable outcomes achieved through a collaborative and consensus driven juvenile justice system. The faculty is comprised of county employees, elected officials, partner agencies and departments, and citizens. The visitors are decision makers from other jurisdictions including elected county, state and federal officials who want to replicate our success. Additionally, as a part of a system assessment, we are working more closely with our stakeholders, including family members, to continue our juvenile justice reform efforts with a particular focus on addressing racial and ethnic disparities.

Required Signature

Elected Official

or Department/

Agency Director:

Scott Taylor, Director /s/

10/4/17

Date:

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