



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 11/7/13
Agenda Item #: R.1
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
Date Submitted: 10/9/13

Agenda Title: Equity and Empowerment Lens Progress Report

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but sufficient to describe the action requested. Title on APR must match title on Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation.

Requested Meeting: November 7, 2013 **Time Needed:** 60 minutes
Department: Office of Diversity and Equity **Division:**
Contact(s): Sonali Sangeeta Balajee
Phone: 503-490-9094 **Ext.:** **I/O Address:**

Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Sonali S. Balajee (Senior Policy Advisor on the E& E Lens), Kim Peoples (Director, Department of Community Services), Diana Hall (Program Supervisor, SUN Service System and Community Schools), Jeanine Fukuda (Portland Public Schools), DA's Office Representative (TBD), Truls Neal (Department of Community Justice)

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board? To listen to key learnings and findings from Lens applications participants, and commit to integrating an equity, empowerment, and racial justice focus into policy, planning, and decision-making.

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 will not impact a Program Offer. This is an informational briefing.

This is a presentation highlighting the progress of the work with the Equity and Empowerment Lens over the past year, specifically focusing on the findings and actions resulting from four in-depth applications of the Equity and Empowerment Lens (racial justice focus). For more information on the Lens, please see:

<http://www.multco.us/diversity-equity/equity-and-empowerment-lens>

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

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved. On a broad level, applying the Lens in these four to five areas has or will shape major guiding direction in all of the various groups presenting. For instance, the Department of Community Services application to their Capital Improvement Program and Plan has resulted in the creation of criteria that integrate the consideration of equity and inclusion more overtly in their process.

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

One of the case studies being presented will be by a community partner, Portland Public Schools. Sonali and a few members of the Office of Diversity and Equity will have met with leadership from PPS roughly four to five times by 11/7 on how to apply a Lens to pieces of their Enrollment and Transfer Policy.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department**

Director: Daryl Dixon /s/

Date: 10/9/13

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