



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

(revised 12/31/09)

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Meeting Date: 9/2/2010
Agenda Item #: R-4
Est. Start Time: 9:50 am

Agenda Title: **Leaders of Change Innovation Video Series: DCJ Bike Patrol**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date: September 2, 2010 **Amount of Time Needed:** 10
Department of Community Justice
Department: (DCJ) **Division:** _____
Contact(s): Rachel Harris
Phone: 503-988-6048 **Ext.** _____ **I/O Address:** _____
Presenter(s): Carl Goodman, Assistant Director of DCJ, with members of DCJ Bike Patrol

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

No action requested.

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.

Today's innovation video highlights a pilot Bike Patrol program in the county's Department of Community Justice. Starting this spring, four uniformed probation officers ride bicycles to maintain contact with their most hard-to-reach clients, particularly the homeless. Bicycles are more practical because these offenders tend to congregate in places that are hard to reach by car and may be too distant to reach on foot. Bike patrols concentrate in downtown Portland, near transitional housing and homeless shelters. Probation officers who volunteered for the program completed a free one-week Bicycle Training Program provided by the Portland Police Bureau. The program has led to an increase in contacts, communication and engagement in supervision. Side benefits of the program are its low carbon footprint and the health benefits for officers.

The innovation video series is a project of Leaders of Change, a cross departmental group of county employees working to support innovation (defined as new ideas with action or implementation that lead to improvement, gain or profit) in Multnomah County. Leaders of Change have documented

successful innovations throughout the County and are currently developing ways to share and spread these innovations. The innovation video series seeks to change the stories we tell about Multnomah County. Innovation is prevalent throughout our organization and the video series highlights new innovations. Videos are available for the public and all county employees to view.

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

The cost of creating these videos is currently covered by the video resources of the Public Affairs Office (PAO). DCJ staff assisted with producing the Bike Patrol video.

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

PAO will ensure that all parties shown in Innovation series videos have appropriate media release authorizations on file. DCJ clients appearing in this video were not identified for privacy reasons.

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

Leaders of Change is led by COO Jana McLellan. Members represent nine County departments/agencies (County Attorney; Commission on Children, Families & Community; Facilities; Health Department; Human Resources; Human Services; Information Technology, Public Affairs, and Roads).

Required Signature

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



Date: 8/25/2010
