



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST NOTICE OF INTENT

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Meeting Date: 4/7/16
 Agenda Item #: C.3
 Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
 Date Submitted: 3/23/16

Agenda NOTICE OF INTENT to apply for Year 2 of a Library Services & Technology Grant from the Oregon State Library for program evaluation

Note: This APR is for NOI's only. APRs are available for other types of submittals. Title should not be more than 2 lines but be sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date: <u>April 7, 2016</u>	Time Needed: <u>MCLD Consent Calendar</u>
Department: <u>Multnomah County Library District</u>	Division: <u>Neighborhood Libraries</u>
Contact(s): <u>Rita Jimenez</u>	
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): <u>N/A</u>	

A Notice of Intent is required to obtain approval from the Board of County Commissioners to ensure a competitive grant proposal is in alignment with the County's mission; to receive an indication from the Board of its willingness to commit the necessary County resources to support the grant. A Budget Modification is required to appropriate funds received from a successful grant proposal.

Notice of Intent Specific Information

Department recommendation for consent agenda placement (*must meet all criteria*):

- Proposal is under \$500,000/ year.
 - Proposal does not require cash match as part of the budget.
 - Proposal does not commit County to on-going programming following award.
 - Proposal adheres to the County's indirect guidelines.
 - Proposal is within the Department's strategic direction.
 - Proposal does not have policy and/or legal implications that warrant a public dialog.
- To the best of my knowledge, this proposal adheres to all of the above criteria and may be placed on the Board of County Commissioner's Consent Agenda. I understand the proposal can be moved to the regular Board Agenda for any reason by Commissioners or their staff.*
- To the best of my knowledge, this proposal does not meet criteria for placement on the Consent Agenda and should be placed on the Regular Agenda.*

Please complete for any NOI:

Granting Agency	Oregon State Library
Proposal due date	April 15 th , 2016
Grant period	July 1 st , 2016 through June 30 th , 2017
Approximate level of funding by year	\$38,787.00
Program Offer(s) potentially impacted	80016
How do you expect to spend the majority of funds? (check all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> Personnel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sub-contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Capital (including equipment)
Does grant require match? If so, describe type (cash, FTE, etc) and %	No

1. Brief overview of grant's purpose and/or impact.

This is the second year request of a two year federal grant of Library Services & Technology Act (LSTA) funding through the Oregon State Library. This grant will allow Multnomah County Library (MCL) to contract with an evaluation team to complete year two of a two-year outcome-based evaluation process to assess the impact of the *Listos* program on participant families. The evaluation will show the extent to which the program achieved its main purpose, which is to enhance the development of literacy among Spanish-speaking children age three to five and to empower parents by raising awareness of how they can help their children get ready for school.

Multnomah County Library knows that the achievement gap starts early, before children even enter kindergarten, and that intervention strategies are most successfully addressed early as well. Clear disparities in how ready Latino children are for their kindergarten education, as compared to other groups, are demonstrated in the results of the Oregon Kindergarten Assessments from 2013 to 2016.

All information collected from the evaluation will help MCL improve this library program, and best practices will be shared with other libraries in Oregon and nationally.

2. Brief overview of how proposal is aligned with Department's strategic direction.

The *Listos* program fits squarely within Multnomah County Library's mission to *empower our community to learn and create*. It is also aligned with three of the library's strategic priorities: *to reflect and serve a diverse community, enable creation and learning and champion reading*. MCL is heavily invested in ensuring high quality early literacy programs, particularly in the area of delivering culturally appropriate programs.

3. Describe any community and/or government input considered in planning for this grant.

For year one of this grant, Multnomah County Library received letters of support from Multnomah Education Service District, Portland Public Schools, Oregon Child Development Coalition, and Hacienda CDC.

4. What partners may be included in program activities?

For year one of this grant, Multnomah County Library collaborated with four school districts in the Portland-Vancouver area (Vancouver, Portland Public Schools, Reynolds and Gresham-Barlow), two charter schools, and one private Montessori school. Multnomah County Library is planning on promoting the *Listos* program with these partners and others in Multnomah County.

5. Generally, what are the grant's reporting requirements?

The LSTA reporting requirements are the submission of four quarterly reports, as well as a final report.

Please complete for NOIs on the Regular Board Agenda ONLY:

6. When the grant expires, will your Department continue to fund the program? If so, how?

7. Are 100% of the central and departmental indirect costs recovered? If not, please explain.

8. If the proposal is not aligned with your Department's strategic direction, explain why you are pursuing it at this time.

9. If the grant requires a cash match, how will you meet that requirement?

10. Are there policy issues and/or legal implications related to this proposal that may warrant a public dialog? If so, please explain.

Required Signatures

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

Vailey Oehlke /s/

Date: March 23, 2016

Budget Analyst:

Jeff Renfro /s/

Date: March 23, 2016

Note: Please submit electronically. We are no longer using actual signatures. Insert names of your approvers followed by /s/. Please insert date approved