



**MULTNOMAH COUNTY
AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST
NOTICE OF INTENT**

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Meeting Date: 5/26/11
Agenda Item #: C.2
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
Date Submitted: 5/11/11

Agenda Title: **NOTICE OF INTENT to submit an application of up to \$10,000 to the Northwest Health Foundation's Improving Public Health Infrastructure Grant Program.**

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: 05/26/2012 **Amount of Time Needed:** 5 minutes
Department: Health **Division:** Health and Social Justice
Contact(s): Nicole Hermanns, Sandy Johnson
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Nicole Hermanns, Health Services Development Administrator

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Authorize the Director of the Health Department to submit an application for up to \$10,000 to the Northwest Health Foundation Improving Public Health Infrastructure Grant Program.

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.

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are leading a new national effort to ensure that communities are receiving the highest quality of services possible to promote and protect the public's health through a national accreditation process. The process will for the first time, provide a set of consistent, national standards that will enable public health departments to show how effectively and efficiently they are performing. To help Oregon's local health departments prepare for accreditation, the Northwest Health Foundation has released a new funding opportunity, Improving Public Health Infrastructure Grant Program, to support the development of the core documents required for accreditation.

According to the National Public Health Accreditation Board, the following documents will be

required for health departments to apply for national accreditation:

1. A Community Health Assessment, in which a health department assesses the health status and the public health needs in the community.
2. A Community Health Improvement Plan, which maps out exactly what the health department is going to do as it works with partners to improve the health status of its jurisdiction.
3. A Strategic Plan for the health department, which sets forth a health department's priorities and how it plans to accomplish its strategic goals.

The Multnomah County Health Department (MCHD) is in the midst of Step 1, the Community Health Assessment, which will be completed in June 2011. Funds from this grant will be used to support community engagement during the development of Step 2, the Community Health Improvement Plan (HIP). As part of the HIP development, MCHD plans to hold two rounds of community listening sessions. The first round, scheduled for the Fall of 2011, will provide MCHD with the opportunity to vet the priorities that were identified during the Community Health Assessment and collect initial information on potential strategies and partners needed to effect change. The second round, scheduled to be held in the Summer of 2012, will enable MCHD to share a draft of the HIP (developed in collaboration with a Community Advisory Board) and gain community input and feedback. Specifically, grant funds will cover the costs of community outreach/marketing for the listening sessions, interpretation services, and other meeting supplies.

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

This grant will provide MCHD with up to \$10,000 for a one year project period to support the development of its Community Health Improvement Plan, as part of the national public health department accreditation process.

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

None.

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

Community input is a critical component of the current Community Health Assessment and will be a key component of the development of the Health Improvement Plan. These grant funds will be used to support a series of community listening sessions to increase community input and engagement in the process.

ATTACHMENT A

Grant Application/Notice of Intent

If the request is a Grant Application or Notice of Intent, please answer all of the following in detail:

- **Who is the granting agency?**

The Northwest Health Foundation.

- **Specify grant (matching, reporting and other) requirements and goals.**

The purpose of this funding stream is to support local health departments in their preparation for national public health accreditation. No cost sharing/matching is required. Grantees will be required to submit regular progress reports and will be encouraged to share process and outcome measures with local and national public health practitioners, as well as local leaders and elected officials.

- **Explain grant funding detail – is this a one time only or long term commitment?**

This grant is a one-time funding opportunity of up to \$10,000 for a 12-month project period.

- **What are the estimated filing timelines?**
The grant application is due on May 31, 2011.
- **If a grant, what period does the grant cover?**
The grant covers a 12-month project period. It is anticipated that our project period will run from September 1, 2011, through August 31, 2012.
- **When the grant expires, what are funding plans?**
When the grant expires, the project will be completed.
- **Is 100% of the central and departmental indirect recovered? If not, please explain why.**
This funding announcement is intended to fund only direct costs. Given the small dollar amount of the grant award, MCHD has proposed to contribute these costs (up to \$905) as an in-kind contribution to the project.

ATTACHMENT B

Required Signatures

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

Lillian Shirley

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Date: 05/11/2011

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05/11/2011

Budget Analyst:

Shannon Busby

Date: _____