

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

3 In the Matter of Setting Long-)
Term Policy Goals and Directions) RESOLUTION
4 for Multnomah County) 91-126

5 WHEREAS Multnomah County faces serious challenges in the
6 coming years; and

7 WHEREAS, in order to assure that citizens of the County are
8 appropriately served, the Board of County Commissioners has chosen
9 to establish direction for County government; and

10 WHEREAS on August 9, 1991, the Board of County Commissioners
11 assembled to discuss goals and policy directions for the way
12 Multnomah County will conduct business;

13 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that all planning done in
14 Multnomah County will be based on the following assumptions:

15 1. EXCELLENCE. All work we choose to do will be done well.
(This includes on-going monitoring and evaluation.)

2. ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICES will be provided to all
17 services and functions.

18 3. PARTNERSHIPS. We will work collaboratively with other
governments, foundations, non-profits, and the private sector
19 to increase the impact and effectiveness of our services and
programs.

4. Our VALUES AND PHILOSOPHY stress the increasing importance of:

a. PREVENTION (orientation and focus);

b. INTEGRATION AND COORDINATION of services;

c. Foster INDEPENDENCE in individuals we serve; and

d. DECENTRALIZED/COMMUNITY-BASED services.

5. We are committed to the idea of COLLABORATION on the division
26 of responsibilities and services involving local cities,
METRO, and the State (streamlining).

6. We are committed to developing a STABLE LONG-TERM FUNDING/RESOURCE base for County government services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that with these assumptions as a base, the following are the policy goals and directions for Multnomah County:

- Assure that children are born into, and grow up in, nurturing, healthy, safe environments by providing support to these CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES.
- Build partnerships that provide services that maximize the independence, health, and safety of our SPECIAL POPULATIONS.
- Provide services located in the COMMUNITY through multi-service centers accountable to the community.
- Provide PRO-ACTIVE CORRECTIONS SERVICES which include alternatives to jail and a continuum of services to get and keep people out of the criminal justice system.
- Work to achieve an EFFECTIVE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM by developing and implementing a plan in conjunction with the Courts, the Sheriff (as the manager of the Corrections Facilities), law enforcement agencies, Community Corrections, and the Community.
- Assure stable funding for a QUALITY LIBRARY SYSTEM in the Community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we acknowledge that the County is now providing services which are not addressed in the long-term goals and policy directions. We will continue to provide these services well and will pursue opportunities to discuss realignment of the work performed as they arise.

DATED this 22nd day of August, 1991.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON


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