



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 1/16/14
Agenda Item #: R.8
Est. Start Time: 10:45 am
Date Submitted: 1/9/14

Agenda Title: **PROCLAMATION Proclaiming January 2014 as National Mentoring Month in Multnomah County, Oregon**

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 Date: January 16, 2014 **Time Needed:** 15 min

Department: Nondepartmental **Division:** District 4

Contact(s): Tara Bowen-Biggs

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Presenter

Name(s) & Title(s): Celeste Janssen , Executive Director, Oregon Mentors, Darrin Marks, Business Education Compact, Laura Randall , nConnect

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Adoption of the proclamation recognizing January 2014 as National Mentoring Month.

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.

National Mentoring Month began in 2002 to focus national attention on the need of mentors and the impact that anyone can have by mentoring a young person. The goals of National Mentoring Month include:

- Raise awareness of mentoring in its various forms
- Recruit individuals to mentor, especially in programs that have waiting lists of young people
- Promote the rapid growth of mentoring by recruiting organizations to engage their constituents in mentoring

Mentoring is a proactive intervention that builds positive relationships between a youth and adult, which can occur in the community, at schools, businesses, faith-based organizations, and at home. Mentoring plays an important role in many Multnomah County programs in the areas of human services, youth development, public safety, library and school-based services, human trafficking and gang prevention, and more. The Sellwood Bridge Project has made mentoring a priority, and this agenda item will highlight the impact of mentoring through STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) partnerships to enhance our local workforce development efforts.

More information about National Mentoring Month is available at
www.nationalmentoringmonth.org

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

None.

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.

Guest speakers will provide information to raise awareness about mentoring opportunities and local partners in this area.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department**

Director: Diane McKeel /s/

Date: 12/20/13

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