



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

(Revised: 11/20/15))

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Meeting Date: 12/3/15
Agenda Item #: R.2
Est. Start Time: 10:00 am
Date Submitted: 11/20/15

Agenda Title: Board Briefing on Summerworks Program

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:	December 3, 2015	Time Needed:	30 minutes
Department:	Non-Departmental	Division:	District Two
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s):	Barbara Timper, Senior Project Manager at Worksystems Andrew McGough, Executive Director at Worksystems		

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

No action is needed; this is an informational briefing to discuss the progress of the SummerWorks summer internship 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.

Program Offer 10029A/B – Commissioner Loretta Smith brought Worksystems SummerWorks Internship Program to Multnomah County in 2012; what began with sponsorship support of 25 interns in FY 2012 has grown in FY 2016 to sponsorship of 250 interns. In the summer of 2015, a total of 672 summer interns had summer jobs in our region through SummerWorks of whom 482 were from Multnomah County. These interns completed Work Readiness training and were placed in jobs. Collectively, they worked 106,105 hours. This paid summer internship program is a public/private partnership supporting the majority of the youth in their first work experience. The program has been successful in helping youth develop critical workplace skills,

exposure to public and private sector jobs, improve school classroom attendance after the internship, go on to higher education and for some locate permanent employment.

The presentation will provide the following:

- I. a brief overview of the history of the SummerWorks Program
- II. an overview of overall youth unemployment statistics and demographics
- III. a description of the Partnership between Worksystems , Inc. and regional planning efforts
- IV. The program's goals, assessments and future plans

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

The Summerworks program 10029A has an ongoing fiscal impact of \$32,000 of General Fund and \$370,000 of Video Lottery Funds. The Summerworks expansion program (FY 2016), 10029B is allocated a **one-time-only amount of \$250,000** from General Fund.

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.

SummerWorks is a combined effort between Multnomah County, the City of Portland, Washington County, Department of Human Services, Worksystems, Inc. and several other public, private and non-profit groups.

**Elected
Official or
Department
Director:**

Loretta Smith /s/

Date:

11/20/2015