



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 11/4/14
Agenda Item #: B.1
Est. Start Time: 10:00 am
Date Submitted: 8/27/14

Agenda Title: **Board Briefing on the Sheriff's Office U Visa program update.**

Requested Meeting Date: November 4, 2014 **Time Needed:** 30 minutes
Department: Multnomah County Sheriff's Office **Division:** Enforcement/Human Trafficking
Contact(s): Detective Keith Bickford
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Sheriff Daniel Staton/Chief Deputy Linda Yankee/Detective Keith Bickford

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

This is an update of the Sheriff's U Visa Program for the Board.

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 U Visa Program is one of many tools the Sheriff's Office is using to assist undocumented immigrant victims of crime. The Program is one way the Sheriff's Office demonstrates our advocacy for our undocumented immigrant community.

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

The program is supported within the current Human Trafficking program offer budget.

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

If the U visa is approved, it will allow the applicant to legally work and reside in the U.S., and after 3 years, the applicant can apply for permanent residence.

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

The U visa applications come from immigration attorneys all over the State of Oregon. The MCSO detective reviews the case on behalf of the Sheriff, and either signs or doesn't sign the application. The application is sent back to the immigration attorney who sends it to the U.S. Citizen and Immigration Services office where it will be either approved or denied.

Required Signature

Elected Official or Department/ Agency Director: Daniel Staton /s/ **Date:** 8/27/14