



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST NOTICE OF INTENT

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Meeting Date: 1/22/15
 Agenda Item #: C.3
 Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
 Date Submitted: 1/9/15

Agenda Title: NOTICE OF INTENT to apply for a State problem gambling prevention "mini-grant."

Note: This APR is for NOI's only. APRs are available for other types of submittals. Title should not be more than 2 lines but be sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date: January 22 — Consent Agenda **Time Needed:** N/A
Department: County Human Services **Division:** Mental Health and Addiction Services
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): N/A — Consent Agenda Item

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

The Department of County Human Services is requesting approval to apply for a \$10,000 one time funding project grant from the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to fund "creative and innovative problem gambling prevention and/or awareness projects." The proposal focuses on raising awareness through school-wide outreach to Multnomah County students, teachers and parents.

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.

This grant will affect Program Offer #: **25085 Addiction Services Gambling Treatment and Prevention**. Multnomah County's Problem Gambling treatment and prevention services address quality of life issues for the person who gambles, and the impact on their family members, and communities.

Prevention efforts address societal barriers of low awareness and cultural stigma through gambling awareness activities, events, and building personal skills, such as budget

workshops to promote healthy fiscal management. Education on problem gambling is now included in County alcohol and drug awareness efforts to illustrate how these high risk behaviors have similar impacts on the human brain: “youth who gamble are much more likely to engage in other risky behaviors such as drinking, smoking and using drugs, and some may go on to develop serious gambling problems.” (2014 Oregon Student Wellness Survey)

Despite the growing availability of gambling opportunities now available to youth — lotteries, sports betting, poker, Internet gambling, betting on games of personal skill, etc.— gambling is still viewed as a relatively harmless activity for youth. Recent student surveys show that less than half of Multnomah County student respondents report that their parents have talked to them about the risks of betting/gambling. Even fewer report hearing about gambling risks from their teachers— approximately one in five middle school student had teachers who spoke to them about gambling, and even fewer in Grade six or Grade 11. (2014 Multnomah County Student Wellness Survey)

This one-time grant will address the gap in teacher communication to youth on the risks of gambling. The additional funding will be used to supplement, enhance, and expand program response to emerging interest expressed by participating schools requesting gambling-specific events and activities. An additional 8 hours per week of dedicated staff time will address the school-wide community including students, teachers and parents, starting in the Spring 2015 semester and continuing in the Fall. Youth activities will be made available to participating SUN schools as possible during the summer.

The program will evaluate the effectiveness in building program capacity in schools and expanding parent outreach, introducing research-based gambling tools such as the curricula “Stacked Deck” and “Wanna Bet?” to school and community sites.

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

This grant will be paid in a lump sum of up to \$10,000 before the end of the current fiscal year. The additional amount will be spent during the second half of the current fiscal year and carried over to the first half of FY2015-16.

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

N/A

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

The problem gambling program has conducted informal surveys of residents of participating Home Forward sites to aid in planning future services and topics of interest, and continues to solicit feedback at culturally-specific events in Latino-specific and Asian-specific communities. Materials on the State gambling helpline and local treatment resources are made available to all community partnerships and workgroups focusing on problem gambling.

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?**
Oregon Health Authority
- **Specify grant (matching, reporting and other) requirements and goals.**
No match is required.
- **Explain grant funding detail – is this a one time only or long term commitment?**
This is a one-time grant.
- **What are the estimated filing timelines?**
The deadline for submitting applications for this OHA grant is January 14, 2014. The successful proposer will be required to execute the amended State revenue contract and accept a lump-sum project-grant payment no later than June 30, 2015. The project should be completed no later than December 31, 2015 with a short final report on the results of the project.
- **If a grant, what period does the grant cover?**
The grant period may begin as early as March 2015 and end December 31, 2015. (Although OHA will consider requests to extend the deadline if needed, we anticipate the project will be completed the project by December 31st.)
- **When the grant expires, what are funding plans?**
Problem gambling prevention services will continue as funded under OHA service element A&D 80 as part of the Mental Health & Addiction Services Biennial Implementation Plan.
- **Is 100% of the central and departmental indirect recovered? If not, please explain why.**
No. Problem gambling prevention funding is subcontracted to a procured provider and covers the provider's indirect costs. County's administrative oversight is covered under the alcohol and drug prevention funding provided under a separate program offer.

Required Signatures

Elected Official _____ **Date:** 1/8/2014
or Department/ Liesl Wendt /s/
Agency Director: _____

Budget Analyst: _____ **Date:** 1/9/2014
Jennifer Unruh /s/

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