



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

(Revised: 8/18/11)

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Meeting Date: 6/27/13
Agenda Item #: UC.1
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
Date Submitted: 6/26/13

Agenda Title: PROCLAMATION Proclaiming June 27, 2013 National HIV Testing Day in Multnomah County, Oregon.

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date: June 27, 2013 **Time Needed:** 5 minutes
Department: Non-Departmental **Division:** District 2
Contact(s): Paige Hendrix
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Alaiyo Foster, Manager of Education Services, Cascade AIDS Project

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

n/a

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.

HIV testing is essential for improving the health of people living with HIV and helping to prevent new infections. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) estimates that 18 percent of people infected with HIV in the United States are unaware of their infection – more than 200,000 people. The CDC also estimates that approximately half of the estimated 50,000 new HIV infections each year are transmitted by people who do not know that they are HIV-positive. It is recommended that all adolescents and adults get tested at least once for HIV as a routine part of medical care, and that gay and bisexual men and others at high risk be tested more frequently.

Multnomah County conducts HIV testing in county clinics, at community field sites and community events. County staff and community health workers encourage people with sexually transmitted diseases and their sexual partners to get an HIV test as part of their evaluation and treatment. The County also participates in and staffs the African American AIDS Awareness Action Alliance (A6).

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

n/a

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 City of Portland hosted 96 interns during the summer of 2012.

Required Signature

Elected
Official or
Department
Director:



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