

**Department:** Nondepartmental      **Program Contact:** County Chair, Deborah Kafoury  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating Program      **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

The Chair is the Chief Executive Officer of Multnomah County, leading the organization's efforts to create a community where anyone who needs help can find it, everyone shares in opportunity and the most vulnerable among us are protected. With both legislative and executive responsibilities, the Chair sets the County's strategic policy direction and priorities that are aimed at serving the community equitably and effectively, and works closely with the Board of County Commissioners to implement them as mandated by the Home Rule Charter. All departments and Nondepartmental offices, including the Office of Diversity and Equity, Office of Sustainability, Communications, Government Relations, the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council, Office of Community Involvement, and the Office of the Board Clerk, report to the Chair.

**Program Summary**

The Chair oversees a \$2.8 billion budget and more than 6,000 employees. The Chair's responsibilities include: developing an executive budget, appointing department directors, overseeing contracts and financial instruments, presiding over the Board meetings, executing policies and ordinances adopted by the Board, and serving as the Chief Personnel Officer.

The County's critical role in helping to address systemic inequities that disproportionately harm Black, Indigenous and other communities of color has been underscored by the COVID-19 pandemic and continued calls for racial justice. Many of the Chair's long-held priorities, including preventing and ending homelessness, creating family stability, providing accessible healthcare to underserved populations, and reducing the use of incarceration while increasing the use of diversion programs, are aligned with the County's work to build a more equitable community.

During FY 2023, Chair Kafoury will continue to focus on the following priorities:

- Investing in programs that help community members respond to and recover from the ongoing impacts of COVID-19, prioritizing communities most harmed by the virus and community-based solutions.
- Rapidly expanding access to the housing and support services we know people need to end their homelessness.
- Leading the transformation of the criminal legal system and direct new investments to programs that support diversion, reentry and healing.
- Identifying and mobilizing public health strategies geared towards eliminating health disparities perpetuated by systemic racism by leveraging County departments and their respective roles in achieving health equity.
- Investing in areas that support children and youth and family stability, particularly through the successful ramp-up of the Preschool for All program.
- Championing and implementing Workforce Equity Strategic Plan strategies that move the organization towards greater safety, trust and belonging.
- Leading the library capital bond to build a new "flagship" library in East Multnomah County and update 7 branch libraries.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer
Output	Ensure broad community input by conducting community listening sessions and budget hearings.	28	20	25	10*
Outcome	Engage constituents through timely and meaningful responses to emails, phone calls and meeting requests.	90%	100%	95%	100%
Output	Proactively communicate with residents through a regular community newsletter	22	14	15	8*
Outcome	Meet fiscal year countywide Workforce Equity implementation deadlines.	85%	100%	80% est.**	90% est.**

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

\*The Output and Outcome measures for FY 2023 reflect goals for the first 6 months of the year since Chair Deborah Kafoury leaves office in December 2022.

\*\*The Office of Diversity and Equity (ODE) is currently preparing the WESP annual report. The performance measures are based on preliminary data from the report, but won't be finalized until winter of 2022.

## Legal / Contractual Obligation

The Multnomah County Chair and Commissioner offices are mandated by the Multnomah County Home Rule Charter, Chapter III, 3.10.(3)

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2022	2022	2023	2023
Personnel	\$1,506,365	\$0	\$1,690,326	\$0
Contractual Services	\$15,580	\$0	\$16,210	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$84,020	\$0	\$87,570	\$0
Internal Services	\$211,101	\$0	\$218,761	\$0
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$1,817,066</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,012,867</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$1,817,066</b>		<b>\$2,012,867</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	8.65	0.00	8.65	0.00

Program Revenues				
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

## Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2022: 10000 Chair's Office

In FY 2022, a 1.00 FTE Communications Staff was split between the Chair's Office and the Communications Office. In FY 2023, the 0.50 FTE staff assistant is moved to the Communications Office (10007A) to align the staffing - this transfer does not result in new FTE.