

Program #10008 - County Attorney's Office
FY 2026 Adopted
Department: Nondepartmental

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Program Offer Type: Operating

Program Offer Stage: Adopted

Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:
Program Description

The mission of the Office of County Attorney is to provide the highest quality and cost effective legal advice and representation. The Office reviews and advises on the legal aspects of County government operation, defends claims against the County and employees acting in their official capacity, and assists with Federal, State, and County legal requirements. The Office houses the County's Privacy Officer and related Privacy Program. The County Attorney collaborates with Risk Management, provides legal training and advice before legal issues become legal problems.

The Office of County Attorney prepares and reviews legal documents including contracts, Ordinances, Resolutions, Board Orders, Executive Rules, Administrative Procedures, and other legal instruments. It provides legal advice and counsel to the Board of County Commissioners, County elected officials, County Departments and Offices, Advisory Boards, Districts, and Commissions. The Office of County Attorney prepares formal written opinions as deemed necessary by the County Attorney regarding significant interpretations of federal and state laws, the County Charter and Code, and other legal requirements. The Office controls and supervises all civil actions and legal proceedings where the County is a party or has a legal interest. The Office represents and defends any legal action, matter, or proceedings in any court or tribunal and as requested by the Board.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target
Output	County Attorney Direct Service Hours	26,914	25,000	25,000	25,500
Outcome	Percentage of County Attorney Time Dedicated to Direct Client Services	96%	95%	95%	95%
Input	Number of Tort Claims Received	202	190	190	195

Performance Measures Descriptions

Legal / Contractual Obligation

The role and duties of the County Attorney are set forth in Multnomah County Code Chapter 25.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026
Personnel	\$0	\$7,101,241	\$0	\$7,542,248
Contractual Services	\$0	\$323,790	\$0	\$332,540
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$251,921	\$0	\$259,357
Internal Services	\$0	\$616,718	\$0	\$641,855
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$8,293,670	\$0	\$8,776,000
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Program FTE	0.00	25.00	0.00	25.00

Program Revenues				
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$8,293,670	\$0	\$8,776,000
Total Revenue	\$0	\$8,293,670	\$0	\$8,776,000

Explanation of Revenues

Funding for the Office of County Attorney is generated through a portion of the liability insurance rate on County payroll expenses.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2025: 10008 County Attorney's Office