

Division: Office of Community Involvement

Program Characteristics: New Request, One-Time-Only Request

Program Description

The Multnomah County Home Rule Charter provides that every six years, a Charter Review Committee will be convened for the purpose of making a comprehensive study of the Charter and, if it chooses, to submit Charter amendments to the voters of Multnomah County. The county Charter is like our local constitution, creating the structure of county government and outlining the county’s powers. The Charter Review Committee is charged with studying the Charter by all appropriate means including open hearings and meetings, the taking of testimony and interviews. The committee’s meetings are open to the public. The committee is required to present a report to the people and the Board of County Commissioners that includes their findings, conclusions, and recommendations including any amendments the committee proposes to the Charter. All amendments proposed by the committee will be submitted to the voters of Multnomah County at the 2028 primary or general election. The committee begins meeting in March 2027 and must conclude its work by August 2028. As required by Charter, the Office of Community Involvement (OCI) convenes the meetings of the Charter Review Committee.

This program includes a dedicated staff person to provide support and technical assistance at all committee and subcommittee meetings, assist the committee with research, develop communications to keep the public informed of the committee’s work, ensure the committee meets all required deadlines, and support the committee to be inclusive, accessible and elevate the voices of communities most impacted by county programs and services. This program also provides Charter Review Committee members stipends to support participation over the duration of the charter review process.

Equity Statement

The Office of Community Involvement utilizes inclusive approaches to mitigate barriers to civic participation, promotes opportunities for public input and community engagement, and supports educational and leadership development activities for a diverse range of community voices in the charter review process.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	2026 General Fund	2026 Other Funds	2027 General Fund	2027 Other Funds
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$199,817	\$0
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$14,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$1,083	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$214,900	\$0
Total Expenses:	\$0		\$214,900	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Performance Measures

Performance Measure	FY25 Actual	FY26 Estimate	FY27 Target
Percentage of community members engaged compared to demographic proportion of communities served	N/A	N/A	50%
Participant Satisfaction - community volunteers report positively on experience serving on Charter Review Committee	N/A	N/A	95%