



Program #10016 - Government Relations Office FY 2025 Proposed

Department: Nondepartmental **Program Contact:** Jeston Black
Program Offer Type: Operating **Program Offer Stage:** Proposed
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Government Relations Office acts as a liaison between Multnomah County and various governing bodies, advocating for the county's legislative agenda at the state and federal levels. It also works with smaller municipalities and tribal governments to share insights and create partnerships that benefit Multnomah County and its residents. These responsibilities are crucial for protecting the county and its inhabitants.

Program Description

The Government Relations Office serves as the primary representative for the County to state, Federal Elected, and Tribal Officials.

The Office of Government Relations works with the Board of Commissioners, County Departments, Regional Partners, and Community Groups to advance policy set by the Board of Commissioners at the Tribal, Federal, State, and Local Levels.

The Office of Government Relations, in partnership with County Departments, provides analysis and tracks the impacts that Federal and State Legislation would have on County programs and the people served by those programs.

The office also works with other local government partners in the metro region to align priorities and to give other local governments insight on Multnomah County operations and policy.

The Tribal Liaison position is the single point of contact for Oregon's nine federally recognized Tribal Governments, as well as works with County staff to establish processes and protocols for departments' interaction with Tribal Governments.

The Senior Grant Coordinator works across departments and systems to increase the county's capacity to secure, track, and successfully implement competitive grants aligned with the County's mission and values.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	Develop and pass a comprehensive legislative and federal agenda	1	1	1	1
Outcome	Provide an annual report that details bill outcomes and progress on County priorities	1	1	1	1
Output	Number of trainings, planning groups, and presentations to increase countywide competitive grant capacity	33	36	40	40
Outcome	Develop engagement strategies with Tribal governments and local American Indian/Alaska Native communities	1	1	1	0

Performance Measures Descriptions

The adoption of the federal and state legislative agendas is the culmination of a broad process of consultation with departments, elected officials, and advocacy organizations. The Legislative report provides transparency and identifies both positive and negative results. The office also focuses on impacts of Legislation on communities in Multnomah County, not just County operations. A Tribal engagement plan will kick off the comprehensive approach to Tribal Governments. Planning groups, trainings, and presentations ensure access to the resources necessary for submitting successful grants.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

All government relations activities shall be consistent with federal laws and policies, State of Oregon statutes, the Multnomah County Home Rule Charter, and Multnomah County Laws.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025
Personnel	\$1,232,504	\$0	\$1,337,423	\$0
Contractual Services	\$124,000	\$0	\$124,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$51,110	\$0	\$51,111	\$0
Internal Services	\$69,016	\$0	\$85,061	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,476,630	\$0	\$1,597,595	\$0
Program Total:	\$1,476,630		\$1,597,595	
Program FTE	6.00	0.00	6.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 10016 Government Relations Office