



Program #10026 - Capital Debt Retirement Fund FY 2025 Proposed

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Program Offer Type: Operating **Program Offer Stage:** Proposed
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

This program offer accounts for principal and interest payments on various full faith and credit obligation bonds and intergovernmental agreements that were entered into in order to finance various capital improvements or capital acquisitions.

Program Description

Multnomah County is currently making payments on the following obligations:

- Series 2010B (\$15 million) - Full Faith & Credit
- Oregon Investment Transportation Bank (OTIB) (\$3.2 million) - Intergovernmental Loan
- Series 2017 (\$164.1 million) - Full Faith & Credit
- Series 2019 (\$16.075 million) - Full Faith & Credit (Bank Placement)
- Series 2021 (\$89.58 million) - Full Faith & Credit (Refunding - Sellwood Bridge Bonds)
- Series 2022 (\$25.095 million) - Full Faith & Credit (Bank Placement)

The outstanding debt issues have funded a number of capital improvements and acquisitions. These include the construction of the East County Courthouse and the new downtown Multnomah County Courthouse, the Sellwood Bridge replacement project, the new Health Department Headquarters building, the implementation of a new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system, and the NEPA/Design/Right of Way phases of the Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge capital project. All binding obligations were approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

Multnomah County's credit is rated Aaa by Moody's Investors Services and AAA by Standard & Poor's - both represent the highest rating awarded for governmental debt. The firms cited Multnomah County's strong governing board, budget management, low debt, effective funding of long term liabilities, adequate reserves and large and stable tax base.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	Moody's Rating of Aa1 or Better	1	1	1	1
Outcome	Debt Service Payments Made as Scheduled	100%	100%	100%	100%

Performance Measures Descriptions

Maintaining an investment grade bond rating limits the amount the County might otherwise have to pay towards annual debt service. In 2017, Moody's and Standard & Poor's upgraded all Multnomah County full faith and credit debt to Aaa and AAA, respectively. (1)-indicates Moody's Aa1 (or better) rating, (0)-represents a rating lower than Aa1. All principal and interest payments are made on time in order to maintain an investment grade rating on the bond issue. Multnomah County has never defaulted on a debt payment.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Principal and interest on the full faith and credit obligations and intergovernmental agreements are a binding debt obligation of the County. All debt issues and refundings were approved by various resolutions adopted by the Board of County Commissioners.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025
Contractual Services	\$0	\$3,000	\$0	\$4,000
Debt Service	\$0	\$30,703,930	\$0	\$23,894,539
Unappropriated & Contingency	\$0	\$1,171,700	\$0	\$775,190
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$31,878,630	\$0	\$24,673,729
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Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$212,600	\$0	\$202,336
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$22,710,330	\$0	\$23,695,203
Financing Sources	\$0	\$6,783,000	\$0	\$0
Interest	\$0	\$60,000	\$0	\$40,000
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$2,112,700	\$0	\$736,190
Total Revenue	\$0	\$31,878,630	\$0	\$24,673,729

Explanation of Revenues

Debt service payments are collected from departments through internal service reimbursements and passed through to the Capital Debt Retirement Fund.

Per House Bill 4093, a District Court surcharge on certain traffic and parking fines will support the Central Courthouse capital construction project.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 10026 Capital Debt Retirement Fund

In fiscal year 2024, debt service for the ERP system portion of the FFC Series 2017 Bonds fully matured. The last year of debt service was funded by one-time only general fund resources.