

Program #10030 - Employee Retention Incentive Payments - Year 3

FY 2025 Department Requested

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Program Offer Type: New Request Program Offer Stage: Department Requested

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request, Out of Target

Executive Summary

In FY 2023, several large bargaining units completed successor bargaining. These new contracts featured retention incentives that would be paid out as two lump-sum payments. The Chair chose to extend the retention incentives to most County employees. The specific details of the payments differ by bargaining unit. The first retention incentive payments were paid out in FY 2023. A second round of payments were made in FY 2024. This program offer covers what should be the final round of retention incentive payments for bargaining units that have recently closed successor bargaining.

Program Description

The majority of Multnomah County employees entered FY 2023 with an open labor contract. Successor bargaining for all bargaining units included proposals meant to increase employee retention. The final agreements for each bargaining unit included retention incentives, paid out as two lump-sum payments. The specifics of the payments differ by bargaining unit, but AFSCME Local 88 retention incentives are an FY 2023 payment of 2% of employee pay with a minimum of \$2,500 and an FY 2024 payment of 1% of employee pay with a minimum of \$2,000.

In part to reward Multnomah County employees for the extraordinary level of work provided during the Pandemic and to increase retention, the Chair chose to extend retention incentive payments to most County employees. The first payment was made in FY 2023. American Rescue Plan (ARP) resources were used to pay the retention incentives for eligible employees. A second round of payments were made in FY 2024.

This program offer budgets the final retention incentive payments, to be paid out in July 2024. The final payment will be covered by one-time-only General Fund resources.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target			
Output	Number of employees receiving retention incentive payment.	N/A	N/A	N/A	107.50 FTE			
Outcome	% of employee receiving payment on time.	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%			

Performance Measures Descriptions

Performance Measure #1 based on the number of FTE still in successor bargaining when the budget was calculated.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Department Requested General Fund	Department Requested Other Funds	
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025	
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$750,000	\$0	
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$750,000	\$0	
Program Total:	\$0		\$750,000		
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

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

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: