

Program #25000B - State of the Children in Multnomah County

FY 2026 Proposed

Department: County Human Services Program Contact: Rachel Pearl

Program Offer Type: Administration Program Offer Stage: Proposed

Related Programs:

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

Program Description

ISSUE: The Department of County Human Services' long-range vision is guided by the DCHS North Star, which states that every person – at every stage in life – has equitable opportunities to thrive. In childhood, DCHS supports people by improving educational access and support for youth, coaching early childhood education providers, and making sure children have enough to eat in the summer months.

Multnomah County does not currently have a comprehensive assessment of how children are doing in our community. In an effort to strengthen county resources to meet the holistic needs of children, youth, and families, Multnomah County's Chair has directed DCHS to conduct research and compile findings to illuminate the current state of children in the county. Findings and recommendations from this report will assist Multnomah County in leveraging policies, partnerships, and investments to make measurable improvements for the overall wellbeing of children and families in our county. Multnomah County Chair, Jessica Vega Pederson, is committed to ensuring all children in Multnomah County have equitable access to resources needed to thrive.

PROGRAM GOAL: Draft a report that will highlight key indicators on the status of children and families across different domains related to wellbeing, including physical and mental health, education, family and community.

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES: DCHS will identify and partner with a consultant to create a comprehensive report on the State of Children in Multnomah County. This report will be a deep dive into data across multiple systems to create an unbiased and high-quality report about the wellbeing of children in Multnomah County.

PROGRAM OUTPUTS:

- Identify a consultant to partner with to create the report.
- Produce one report on the State of Children in Multnomah County.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target			
Output	Produce a comprehensive report on the State of Children in Multnomah County	N/A	N/A	N/A	1			
		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026	
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$150,000	\$0	
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$150,000	\$0	
Program Total:	\$0		\$150,000		
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: