

Department: County Human Services **Program Contact:** Peggy Samolinski
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Child & Family Hunger Relief program supports all children to reach their full potential through increasing food security and improving access to fresh and healthy foods. Children and families must have their basic needs met in order to be ready and able to learn. We meet people where they are most likely to be. The program works with SUN Community Schools, school districts and community partners to increase the number of meals served to hungry children and families and to assist in families' food needs.

Program Summary

ISSUE: Food insecurity and lack of access to fresh and healthy foods are significant barriers to children's health and learning in our community. Despite the improving economy, our state and county continue to struggle with unemployment and the high cost of living. Comparing the most recent period (2013-15) to the early years of the recovery (2010-12), food insecurity in Oregon spiked 18.4% - the highest among all states. Despite Oregon's high hunger rate, millions of dollars in available federal food funding for children goes untapped and this partnership aims to increase that federal draw down.

PROGRAM GOAL: The program's goals are to reduce child and family food insecurity and hunger through hunger relief programs and strengthening county partnerships in hunger relief policy and programs. Healthy nutrition is vital to brain development and learning. SUN Community Schools are designed to act as vehicles for delivering services to children and families in an easily accessible and non-stigmatizing environment. This offer capitalizes on SUN's community-based capacity through 1) providing food, including fresh and healthy choices, through school-based food pantries and Harvest Share monthly fresh produce distributions and 2) increasing the number of meals served to hungry children and their families during summer. This program provided over one million meals to vulnerable communities last year.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: The program includes summer meals, emergency food programs, and the Multnomah Child Hunger Coalition. Summer meal support consists of staffing at 14 SUN CS and 3 County libraries during the summer to serve meals for 8-12 weeks in underserved communities in Mid and East County. Food assistance programs include school-based food pantries at 12 SUN CS sites and Harvest Share free produce distributions at 5 sites, in partnership with Oregon Food Bank. The Coalition leverages community partnerships to increase food security and access to healthy and fresh foods, with a focus on culturally specific populations. Work includes addressing related policy; increasing participation in federal nutrition programs; and examining the impact of gardens and garden education. The program is a partnership with Oregon Food Bank, six school districts, Portland Parks, Multnomah County Library, Portland Children's Levy and Partners for a Hunger Free Oregon, leveraging over \$2 million in federal and local resources including USDA meal reimbursement, private and corporate donations, and gleaned food.

Performance Measures

| Measure Type | Primary Measure | FY16 Actual | FY17 Purchased | FY17 Estimate | FY18 Offer |
|--------------|---|-------------|----------------|---------------|------------|
| Output | # of meals provided to children and families ¹ | 1,031,761 | 780,000 | 780,000 | 780,000 |
| Outcome | Retail \$ equivalent for every \$1 County General Fund invested in pantries | \$11.40 | 8 | 8 | 8 |

Performance Measures Descriptions

¹ # of meals includes meals served through extended weeks of summer meals program, emergency food pantries, and Harvest Share fresh produce to families.

Revenue/Expense Detail

| | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds |
|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Program Expenses | 2017 | 2017 | 2018 | 2018 |
| Personnel | \$96,881 | \$0 | \$101,657 | \$0 |
| Contractual Services | \$259,815 | \$0 | \$265,661 | \$0 |
| Materials & Supplies | \$1,457 | \$0 | \$6,689 | \$0 |
| Internal Services | \$11,255 | \$0 | \$13,885 | \$0 |
| Total GF/non-GF | \$369,408 | \$0 | \$387,892 | \$0 |
| Program Total: | \$369,408 | | \$387,892 | |
| Program FTE | 1.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 0.00 |

| Program Revenues | | | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Total Revenue | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2017: 25147 Child & Family Hunger Relief