

**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**

Parent Child Development Services (PCDS) remove barriers for families so that all children are ready for kindergarten and get a strong start to their education. PCDS recognizes that parents are a child's first teachers and services are reflective of and responsive to cultural values and norms. Core services include home visiting and parent child playgroups. PCDS is one of the early childhood programs within the SUN Service System.

**Program Summary**

**ISSUE:** Families with low incomes, families of color, and immigrants and refugees face barriers and have fewer opportunities to participate in services that support parenting knowledge and healthy child development. This contributes significantly to disparities in kindergarten readiness levels and, ultimately, in school success. Multnomah County has 34,000 children under the age of six in families with low incomes.

**PROGRAM GOAL:** PCDS's goals are to improve positive parenting skills, ensure the healthy development of young children, and increase kindergarten readiness for families with children under the age of six. The program utilizes the evidence-based Parents As Teachers (PAT) curriculum which has been proven to produce the results that PCDS seeks.

**PROGRAM ACTIVITY:** PCDS creates opportunities for parents to interact with their children in mentored settings with child development specialists. Specific services include home visits that focus on parenting education, age-appropriate parent-child playgroups, support services, developmental screening, immunization status checks and follow up and access to other social and health services. The Ages and Stages child development screening tool is used to determine the developmental stage. Children who do not meet the appropriate stage for their age are referred for intervention services. PCDS services are delivered in families' homes, communities and schools.

In recent years, the program has made several changes to improve outcomes, including: engaging families when their children are younger, increasing the duration of service and the number of home visits families receive in the first year, developing a new parent survey to understand impact; and intentionally connecting families to appropriate preschool or Head Start programs to strengthen children's readiness for kindergarten.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY17 Actual	FY18 Purchased	FY18 Estimate	FY19 Offer
Output	Number of children served	600 <sup>1</sup>	641	641	641
Outcome	% of children up to date on immunizations at exit	90%	95%	95%	95%

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

<sup>1</sup> FY17 actuals were lower than projected due to transitions in contracted service providers following the SUN Request for Proposals.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2018	2018	2019	2019
Personnel	\$99,782	\$0	\$106,708	\$0
Contractual Services	\$1,367,200	\$370,129	\$1,415,052	\$349,822
Materials & Supplies	\$1,089	\$0	\$765	\$0
Internal Services	\$13,185	\$0	\$15,417	\$0
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$1,481,256</b>	<b>\$370,129</b>	<b>\$1,537,942</b>	<b>\$349,822</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$1,851,385</b>		<b>\$1,887,764</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$370,129	\$0	\$228,298
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$121,524
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$370,129</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$349,822</b>

Explanation of Revenues

\$228,298 - OCCF Federal Family Preservation  
 \$121,524 - United Way Ready for School

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2018: 25151 YFS - SUN Parent & Child Development Services