



Program #25203 - PEL - Capacity Building: Preschool Infrastructure & Early Educator Workforce Development 3/19/2021

Department: County Human Services **Program Contact:** Brooke Chilton Timmons
Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Requested
Related Programs: 25200
Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

Increasing the number of early educators and the number of high-quality environments is essential for Preschool for All to meet its goal of making high-quality, culturally affirming preschool experiences available to all 3- and 4-year-olds in Multnomah County in 2030. Funding for workforce development programs and improving and expanding preschool settings increases the future capacity of Preschool for All.

Program Summary

ISSUE: High-quality environments and well-prepared educators are foundational for children's learning. Multnomah County does not yet have enough teachers or spaces for universal preschool access.

PROGRAM GOAL: Establishing a facilities fund for the design, construction, or rehabilitation of preschool facilities would increase the number of high-quality preschool slots available in Multnomah County. Investing in workforce development programs that focus on Black, Indigenous, and early educators of color will ensure a robust future workforce that reflects the young learners in Preschool for All.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: Well designed, high-quality environments enhance learning experiences and child development. However, many providers experience barriers when trying to improve or expand their space and have extremely limited access to capital dollars. The Preschool & Early Learning Division is exploring the possibility of establishing a facilities fund for providers that would fund the construction, renovation, or rehabilitation of early learning spaces.

Workforce Development funds will focus on increasing access to training and education opportunities for existing preschool providers and future early educators who are Black, Indigenous and from communities of color. Specific investments will be identified through a county procurement process and may include: early educator certification programs, training and pathways to employment, scholarships for higher education tuition and other related costs, and programs that meet early educator linguistic and cultural needs.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer
Output	Number of early educators participating in Preschool for All workforce development programs*	N/A	N/A	N/A	*
Outcome	% of educators participating in workforce programs who identify as Black, Indigenous, and People of Color	N/A	N/A	N/A	60%

Performance Measures Descriptions

* The first year will be utilized to establish a baseline measurement.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Requested General Fund	Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,500,000
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,500,000
Program Total:	\$0		\$7,500,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

Please see Program Offer 25200

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: