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**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating Program      **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted  
**Related Programs:** 40099B, 72052, 72052B, 78301B  
**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

Having more preschool facilities is necessary for Preschool for All to meet its goals. In order to increase the number of early learning spaces, Preschool for All will invest in a facilities fund for preschool programs. This funding will help to build future preschool capacity in Multnomah County.

**Program Summary**

**ISSUE:** High-quality environments support children's learning. There are not enough early learning spaces in Multnomah County for universal preschool access. Child care providers struggle to find facilities that meet their needs and money to cover the cost.

**PROGRAM GOAL:** Funding for preschool facilities will create access to capital dollars for preschool providers and increase the number of preschool slots in Multnomah County.

**PROGRAM ACTIVITY:** Well designed spaces can enhance learning and child development. However, many providers experience challenges when trying to open a new facility or improve their existing space. The Preschool & Early Learning Division will establish a facilities fund for providers. The facilities fund will invest in the construction and renovation of early learning spaces.

Many banks are unwilling to provide loans to child care providers, because of their low profits and lack of collateral. This challenge is exacerbated for Black, Indigenous and providers of color who experience systemic barriers to traditional bank loans and business supports. A facilities fund will increase child care providers' access to capital dollars and support providers ready to improve their learning environments and expand their programs.

Facilities funds will help providers improve their spaces and expand into bigger or new locations. Investments in child care facilities will give families more preschool choices and increase the number of preschool slots available.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer
Output	Establish a Facilities Fund Administrator and funding process for providers	N/A	N/A	N/A	1
Outcome	% of facilities fund investments that go to Black, Indigenous, or Business Owners of Color and Culturally	N/A	N/A	N/A	50%

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2022	2022	2023	2023
Contractual Services	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$8,000,000
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,000,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$8,000,000</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$3,000,000</b>		<b>\$8,000,000</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

**Last Year this program was:** FY 2022: 25203 PEL - Capacity Building: Preschool Infrastructure & Early Educator

Fiscal Year 2023 will be the start of the Preschool for All Facilities Fund. The increased funding amount allows for a significant investment in preschool facilities at an early and crucial time in PFA implementation.