

Ideas on how to increase revenue

2009 Multnomah County Community Budget Forum

Monday, March 2, 2009, Multnomah County East

Topic: Health and Human Services

6-8 pm, East County Service Center

Sharron Kelley Conference Room, 600 NE Eighth Street, Gresham

- Raise taxes on the wealthy-anyone making \$200,000+/year
- 211 can take our helpline calls
- Share resources
- Advocate for HB 2391-OPI
- Build relationships with cultural minority communities
- Cut good government hotline
- County income tax
- Consolidate county buildings
- Sliding scale for permit fees based on the time it takes county to process them
- Mobilize advocates to go to Salem and advocate for lifting measures. 50+ repealing kicker
- Use empty jail space/beds to meet other critical needs. Rent them to other entities to provide needed resources

2009 Multnomah County Budget Forums

Monday, March 16, 2009, Multnomah Building

Topic: Public Safety

6-8pm, Multnomah Building, Boardroom,

501 SE Hawthorne, Portland 97214

- Reduce reporting requests to (service point) to contractor (city/co/state all request information that's different)(expenditure savings)
- 10% pay cut across the board- to retain CSL
- Hiring freeze
- PS Levy
- Property tax abatement
- Bicycle tax
- Progressive income tax (where highest earners pay more)
- Urban renewal
- Liquidate Wapato
- Raise boater registration fee (legislative eng)
- Allow more floating homes
- Raise hotel tax (legislation changes?)(opt out on agreement)
- MVRT up
- Green fee (golf) tax

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- PS Levy (L.E.)
- Legislative changes
 - legalization/taxation marijuana through state liquor store
 - legalization growing ____ (econstimulus)
- Safety inspection sticker on all vehicles (fee & safety)
- Courts stop waiving fines and fee
- Urban renewal-voting=authority
- Beer and wine tax-preemption x2 x2
- Bicycle tax/license
- Sales tax (not on food)
- M.C./lottery/raffle (winner ½, county ½)
- Market MC. Stones to entertainment industry (bunnel)
- Columbia Gorge scenic Area/fed
- Set aside money for P.S.
- Tap into PS levy
- Live/die by grants
- Temporary sales tax; like MC /TAX
- Bridge out of recession (2009-2011)
- Dark horse comic on superhero Ted Wheeler
- Create a Law Enforcement +Service District for unincorporated and cities that want it.
- Add back Revenue programs like work release to work crews
- Temporary Sales tax as local measure
- Wapat growing food and support jail system
- Toll for Sauvie Island bridge, Tax recreation use
- Repeal Measure 50