

Division: Health Officer

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Program Description

State statute (ORS 682.062) directs counties to develop and maintain Ambulance Service Plans (ASP) for all areas within their jurisdiction. The ASP specifies the structure of the emergency medical services (EMS) system. Multnomah County is statutorily obligated to assess and revise its ASP when significant changes occur. Revisions to the ASP would lead to a procurement for the described services.

The County's ASP, last adopted in 2016, establishes one contracted emergency ambulance service provider. Persistent contract compliance issues, changes in the EMS landscape, and proposals to alter fundamental elements of the ASP necessitate a reassessment.

In 2024, the County EMS Program began a comprehensive ASP assessment. This work requires internal staff and an external consultant with EMS expertise. The assessment includes an in-depth review, stakeholder engagement with partners and providers, and recommendations. Policy recommendations were delivered in early FY26, with implementation of changes and procurement of updated services slated for FY27. Funding will be required in subsequent years to implement these changes.

Equity Statement

The revised Ambulance Service Plan is the guiding document that is legally required that describes the components of the Emergency Medical Services in the County. This system ensures pre-hospital ambulance services and medical care to everyone in the County.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	2026 General Fund	2026 Other Funds	2027 General Fund	2027 Other Funds
Personnel	\$192,000	\$0	\$171,500	\$0
Contractual Services	\$208,000	\$0	\$190,500	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$400,000	\$0	\$362,000	\$0
Total Expenses:	\$400,000		\$362,000	
Program FTE	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Performance Measures

Performance Measure	FY25 Actual	FY26 Estimate	FY27 Target
Recommended and revised Ambulance Service Plan based on recommendations for the EMS System Assessment and State required components of the plan	0	0	1
Procurement process of required updated services for implementation no later than August 30, 2028	0	0	1