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Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Requested

Related Programs:
Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request, Out of Target

Executive Summary

A community that is civically involved is fundamental to trust and accountability in Multnomah County governance. The complexion of Multnomah County has changed and the process of engagement must reflect that diversity to achieve confidence and participation in decision-making. As an independent office charged with that task, the CIC and OCI collaborate with internal and external partners to ensure that these values are reflected in our work. This offer provides the resources for the CIC and the OCI to pilot culturally specific outreach and engagement efforts consistent with those values.

Program Summary

A cross cultural and cross jurisdictional collaboration introducing culturally specific activities that educate and involve under represented immigrant and refugee populations in different forms of civic activity. These activities focus on county business in a safe, familiar, and comfortable environment for sharing experiences and expressing ideas. These activities promote further developing the sustainable infrastructure for civically engaged intergenerational communities of culture and color.

CIC/OCI will contract with local expertise within each targeted community using best practices to develop and deliver these activities within a relevant social and cultural experience. Songs, games, exercises, and other interactive elements will be utilized to create environments suitable for opening dialog regarding issues of the day - and potential solutions - as identified by the community itself. The end results will be:

- Newly forming and underrepresented communities will better understand our various systems of governance and the myriad of ways to be heard and engaged with policy and budget decisions that matter to them.
- A tool kit easily modified to meet the specific needs of the jurisdictions as well as the populations served and accessible through the OCI web site.
- A sustainable open source project will continue to evolve and be enhanced as it is shared, used, modified, and re-used in Multnomah County as well as by jurisdictions, agencies, organizations, and others.
- Sustainable relationships will be built, enhanced, and nurtured with communities of culture and color that will continue beyond the pilot to the benefit of all county departments.
- Community based infrastructure will be developed in collaboration with OCI/CIC to continue and enhance engagement.
- Existing and additional jurisdictional collaborations will be developed and enhanced.

Finally, highly visible and innovative efforts by Multnomah County to connect, educate and engage our communities in their government can only result in a more inclusive, equitable, and ultimately more effective system.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY15 Actual	FY16 Purchased	FY16 Estimate	FY17 Offer
Output	Culturally appropriate tool kit including activities to educate and engage under represented populations.	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%
Outcome	A total of three (3) specific cultural communities engaged in the pilot project.	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%
Outcome	Outreach to and engagement of internal Multco departments and other jurisdictions.	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%
Outcome					

Performance Measures Descriptions

A community that is civically involved is fundamental to building trust and accountability in Multnomah County governance. As the complexion of Multnomah County has changed, the process of engagement must reflect that diversity to achieve confidence in government and participation in decision-making. Limited resources need to be shared and leveraged. These measures for this pilot series of culturally specific outreach, education, and engagement is consistent with those values and desired outputs and outcomes.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Chapter Re: Chapter 3.75 Multnomah County Home Rule Charter; Resolution 8-86, Resolution 95-245, Multnomah County Code 2.30.640; 3.30-3.306 1. The County Charter states that the commission “shall appropriate sufficient funds for the operation of the office and the committee”.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2016	2016	2017	2017
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$15,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$25,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

This is a General Fund program.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: