

Program #25136 - YFS - Legal Aid for Immigrant & Refugee Communities

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Department: County Human Services **Program Contact:** Rose-Ellen Bak

Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program Program Offer Stage: As Proposed

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Executive Summary

The federal immigration and refugee landscape has been shifting quickly. Inadequate access to accurate information and support has increased fear and impeded the efforts of county staff and partners to effectively address health and human service needs. That means fewer families are accessing anti-poverty services, necessary health care, or calling the police when they witness a crime. This one-time-only funding would provide community-based legal services access and other supports to begin to overcome this barrier.

Program Summary

ISSUE: Multnomah County strives to promote and create a welcoming community that is safe, stable and thriving. Limited access to accurate immigration information and support has increased fear and hindered access to health and social services in immigrant and refugee communities that already face increased barriers. When fewer families get health care, education or the assistance necessary to become safely housed or employed, it impacts the wellness of our entire community.

PROGRAM GOAL: The goal of the program is to ensure that immigrant and refugee families are able to access services by providing culturally specific assistance, addressing barriers to access and providing legal support and educational opportunities.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: Provide legal aid services and family support for immigrant and refugee families who are identified as being at risk by provider agencies. Increase access to culturally responsive information and education. Provide legal support with immigration questions, visa applications, and related legal paperwork. Offer training and education opportunities for the public and community navigators on legal rights and other legal services available in the community.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY17 Actual	FY18 Purchased	FY18 Estimate	FY19 Offer			
Output	Number of community members access legal services	N/A	200	200	250			
Outcome	Percentage of immigrant families who report a reduction in legal barriers	N/A	40%	40%	40%			

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	
Program Expenses	2018	2018	2019	2019	
Contractual Services	\$100,000	\$0	\$160,000	\$0	
Total GF/non-GF	\$100,000	\$0	\$160,000	\$0	
Program Total:	\$100,000		\$160,000		
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

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

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2018: 25136C YFS - MSI - Legal Aid for Immigrant & Refugee Communities