

**Department:** County Management

**Program Contact:** Mike Vaughn

**Program Offer Type:** Support

**Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted

**Related Programs:**
**Program Characteristics:**
**Executive Summary**

The Applications Support (APP Support) program manages DART's application software and hardware through configuration, support and communication with external IT vendors; and, they perform the functions necessary to produce the certified annual tax roll, which includes calculating tax rates and taxes and producing tax statements. As a result of these efforts, this program also maintains vital information necessary for both internal and external data requests, essential in developing statutorily required reports and providing transparency to Multnomah County stakeholders.

**Program Summary**

DART's Application Support Program performs the functions that support the certification of the annual tax roll, including calculating tax rates and taxes, producing tax statements, and producing reports required by the Oregon Department of Revenue. As a result the program assists in answering public and media questions about property tax bills, contributing to the accountability factor of the public's perception of fairness in assessing and collecting property taxes. In addition to certifying the annual tax roll, the Program responds to requests for information and data files from both internal and external sources. The Program manages the working relationship with the application software and hardware vendors, as well as the County Information Technology Division; including consulting on contract formulation and implementation support. The Program answers user questions, resolves problems, and provides advice on the effective use of the DART's business application systems.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY15 Actual	FY16 Purchased	FY16 Estimate	FY17 Offer
Output	Number of Requests & Support Activities Completed	3,490	3,500	3,450	3,500
Outcome	% of Requests Associated with Program Revenue	4.5%	4.0%	5%	4%

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

The Number of Requests & Support Activities measures an Activity representing a single request or contact, even if that request is for 5 data files to be created and sent to the client. The percent of Requests Associated with Program Revenue indicates the portion of the program's work activities associated with a portion of our revenue.

## Legal / Contractual Obligation

This program supports the Division of Assessment, Recording & Taxation in its compliance with Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) Chapters 92, 205, 294,305-312, and 321. Additionally, ORS 306.115 assigns statewide general supervision of the property tax system to the Oregon Dept. of Revenue (DOR). Through the "County Assessment Function Funding Assistance" (CAFFA) Grant process described in ORS 294.175 the DOR determines the acceptable level of assessment & taxation staffing. The DOR has determined staffing levels are at the minimally acceptable level to perform the A&T function. Any reduction to this program may jeopardize this grant revenue.

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2016	2016	2017	2017
Personnel	\$789,959	\$0	\$725,102	\$0
Contractual Services	\$35,925	\$0	\$35,925	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$344,498	\$0	\$370,165	\$0
Internal Services	\$209,756	\$0	\$195,429	\$0
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$1,380,138</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,326,621</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$1,380,138</b>		<b>\$1,326,621</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	5.70	0.00	5.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$196,262	\$0	\$144,986	\$0
Other / Miscellaneous	\$55,000	\$0	\$55,000	\$0
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$251,262</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$199,986</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

Participation in the Oregon Department of Revenue County Assessment Function Funding Assistance (CAFFA) Grant provides reimbursement of approximately 25% of Assessment & Taxation program expenditures. Grant amounts vary depending upon the overall state-wide CAFFA pool and the allocated percentage to each participating county. Multnomah County's total annual share of CAFFA is estimated at \$3,624,656 for FY 2017, with \$144,986 allocated to DART Applications Support Program. Program revenue of \$55,000 is from service fees for access to Assessment & Taxation information (subscription website user fees) and requests for Assessment and Taxation data files. Service fees are authorized by Department of County Management Fee Ordinance. Fees are projected based upon historical trends. Remaining Program support is provided by General Fund revenues.

## Significant Program Changes

**Last Year this program was:** FY 2016: 72037-16 DART Applications Support

Allocated .30 FTE Deputy County Assessor to the Program for FY 2017  
Transferred 1.00 FTE (Sr. Data Analyst) to Assessment Performance Analysis Program#72029