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Program Offer Type:	Innovative/New Program	Program Offer Stage:	As Proposed
Related Programs:	91008-17 Elections		
Program Characteristics:	One-Time-Only Request		

Executive Summary

The Elections Division conducts all local, city, county, state and federal elections for the citizens of Multnomah County, and all political districts within Multnomah County. Under Oregon law, regular election dates are in March, May, September and November. Under state and local law, special elections and recall elections can also be called at any time of the year.

Program Summary

Once every four years a Presidential General Election takes place and this will occur in FY17. Expenses for Presidential General Elections are far greater than any other election that occurs in the 4 year cycle due to a much higher rate of participation by voters. This is a one-time-only program offer to increase the Elections Division budget for these non-recurring expenses.

The additional funds will primarily be used for on-call, temporary staff to process the increased volume of registrations and returned ballots that are typical with a Presidential General Election. It will also be used to pay for additional traffic control, security at the elections building, contractual services, ballots, envelopes, postage and other supplies.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY15 Actual	FY16 Purchased	FY16 Estimate	FY17 Offer
Output	Number of votes counted	379,000	265,324	203,240	550,000
Outcome	Percent of customers who are satisfied with counter service	98%	97%	98%	97%

Performance Measures Descriptions

Customer satisfaction was measured through a survey completed by Elections customers immediately following service. The results shown above reflect the percentage of customers who indicated that customer service either met or exceed their expectations.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Multnomah County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 5, Elections, describes the process for county initiative/referendum petitions in Multnomah County as well as how to fill vacancies in county elective offices. Oregon Administrative Rules, Chapter 165, addresses state-wide uniformity in the conduct of elections by each county. Rules deal with issues such as County Voters' Pamphlets and Voting by Mail. Oregon Revised Statutes, Chapters 246 through 260, provide the legal authority for all aspects of conducting elections in Oregon. There are also Federal mandates. The Voting Rights Act, The National Voter Registration Act, The Help America Vote Act and The Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act establish nation wide election administration standards.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2016	2016	2017	2017
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$250,000	\$0
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$19,500	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$65,500	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$335,000	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$335,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund. Additional revenue associated with the Presidential General Elections has been included in the regular Elections program offer #91008A-17).

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: