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After the Chair releases the Proposed Budget, the Board of County Commissioners can amend the budget before final adoption.

Amendments are revisions or edits to the budget that change where money is spent, how much is spent, or how services are delivered. Amendments require a majority of the Board to become part of the final budget, and must keep the budget balanced. The Amendment process is a crucial step that allows the elected commissioners to shape the county's programmatic and financial roadmap based on their priorities and public input.

The following amendments are being considered by the Board of County Commissioners as of June 5, 2025.

Revenue Amendment #1 Chair Jessica Vega Pederson Proposed on May 20, 2025

Adds \$545,000 in ongoing General Funds

Appropriates \$545,000 in ongoing General Fund that can be reallocated in response to a recent Opioid Settlement. The Opioid Settlement revenue will fund programming in 24/7 Sobering and Crisis Stabilization Center Implementation (40104B). This new program was already funded in the Proposed Budget. Moving it to Opioid Settlement revenue will allow the Board to reallocate the ongoing General Fund for another purpose. There will be a departmental amendment that will move the program expenses.

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Revenue Amendment #2A and B Chair Jessica Vega Pederson Proposed on May 20, 2025

#### Adds \$613,000 in one-time-only General Funds

Appropriates \$613,000 in anticipated Beginning Working Capital (BWC) in FY 2026. This amendment rolls over \$500,000 of the remaining FY 2025 contingency earmark for Public Campaign Finance for use as one-time-only-only in FY 2026, and rolls over \$113,000 from Refunds issued on Rent Assistance paid for with American Rescue Plan (ARP) revenue in past budget years. This ARP revenue can be used in FY 2025, which will free up \$113,000 in FY 2025 General Fund that can be used as OTO in FY 2026.

Revenue Amendment #3 Chair Jessica Vega Pederson Proposed on May 29, 2025

#### Rolls over \$495,288 from Gun Violence Grant Revenue Swap

A May 2025 budget modification appropriated additional OTO revenue from the Oregon Health Authority that can be used to address Gun Violence. These funds must be invoiced by the end of June 2025 and are funding activity that was already in HD's FY 2025 budget. This freed up \$495,288 in CGF which will be placed in contingency in FY 2025. This amendment to roll this over to FY 2026.

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Revenue Amendment #4 Chair Jessica Vega Pederson Proposed on May 29, 2025

#### Remaining Local 88 Market Study (2 of 3) Estimate - \$254,121 Ongoing CGF

The FY 2026 Proposed Budget included a \$600,000 ongoing set aside to cover the increased costs of the second L88 Market Study. The study and estimates were recently finalized and the final additional CGF costs will be approximately \$346,000. The remaining \$254,121 can be reallocated to some other ongoing purpose. This amendment reduces the remaining set aside in contingency to be reallocated.

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Amendment #1
Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
Co-sponsored by Chair Jessica Vega Pederson
May 20, 2025

#### Restore School Based Mental Health Consultants in Health Department

The well-being of our children reflects the well-being of our community and right now there is an immediate and critical need to care for and invest in our school-aged children's mental health. School based mental health services and the mental health consultants that provide it are a life-line for the most vulnerable and marginalized students in the County and are disproportionately located in schools and districts in East Portland and East County to ensure children are able to access mental health services and supports so that they are able to learn and thrive. Commissioner Brim-Edwards proposes an amendment that restores \$696,313 for 4.18 FTE School Based Mental Health Consultants. This program generates revenue, projected to be \$250,000. The remaining \$446,313 to restore School Based Mental Health Consultants would be offset by reducing one (1.00) new position and from the proposed new contracted services in the Health Department's program 40104B 24/7 Sobering and Crisis Stabilization Center Implementation.

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### **WITHDRAWN**

Amendment #2
Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
May 20, 2025

#### **Improve Community Safety / District Attorney's Office**

Multnomah County is responsible for many elements of our local public safety system and it is important we prioritize and improve the overall capacity to meet the needs of our community. Supporting and protecting survivors of domestic violence, ensuring adequate and timely review of body worn camera footage and providing individuals a proven path from the criminal justice system into treatment are integral to a healthy public safety system.

Commissioner Brim-Edwards proposes an amendment that restores a total of \$1,044,727 for 4.00 FTE in the District Attorney's Budget in the following program areas:

- \$222,000 for 1.00 FTE Domestic Violence Unit Deputy District Attorney
- \$617,663 for 2.00 FTE and Technology in the Body Worn Cameras Unit, and
- \$205,064 for 1.00 FTE Treatment Court Unit Deputy District Attorney.

Offset by \$1,044,727 from six (6.00) vacant County positions.

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Amendment #3
Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Meghan Moyer
May 21, 2025

#### Add \$500,000 one-time-only funding for the Lone Fire Memorial

Lone Fir Memorial In 1928 Multnomah County assumed ownership of Lone Fir Cemetery and halted the burials and cultural practices of Chinese Americans on Block 14 of Lone Fir Cemetery. In the ensuing 20 years, Multnomah County would have the Chinese American community disinter hundreds of remains and then the County disinterred the remains of hundreds of Chinese Americans using a bulldozer to repurpose Block 14, later into a parking lot. The County failed to identify and account for the individuals who were disinterred and to account for damaged and/or destroyed culturally significant historical artifacts. In 2005 the County signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Metro, committing to the development of a memorial. It is two decades later and the County has yet to take meaningful action to build a memorial and repair the harm the County has caused the Chinese American community.

The FY 2026 proposed budget includes \$1,000,000 which is a solid start toward \$2,500,000 for the capital cost of constructing the memorial. Multnomah County's values include accountability, social justice, inclusively leading with race, equity and inclusion and safety and well-being. To act on the County's values, Commissioners Brim-Edwards and Moyer propose an amendment to add \$500,000 to the capital stack for the Lone Fir Memorial, offset by \$500,000 in one-time General Funds from Fiscal Year 2025 contingency earmark for Public Campaign Finance.

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# Amendment #4 Commissioner Shannon Singleton

# The goal of this amendment is to fully fund the ongoing SHS Permanent Supportive Housing Expansion. (1 of 3)

This amendment does the following:

- Moves the Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) request out of ask to State of Oregon, as State funds are one-time-only and it is inherently impossible to create Permanent Supportive Housing with one-time-only funds
- Backfilling reductions in the following programs:
  - Program 30400C Supportive Housing Local Bond Units and Site-Based Commitments - \$4,117,650
  - Program 30403 Supportive Housing Families \$2,267,225
  - Program 30404 Supportive Housing Youth \$462,150 this is the services part of PSH

HSD Amendment 1 of 3 - PSH Amendment (funding for PO 30400C, 30403, and 30404) Following through on solicited and awarded Adult PSH, Youth PSH, and Family PSH units.

#### Pull Funds from:

Program	Dept./Program Title	Amount	Fund Type
30200	HSD- Safety off the Streets Adult Shelter	\$6,845,675	SHS

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# Amendment #5 Commissioner Shannon Singleton

Reduce ongoing funding for the Market Street and Wy'East shelters and replace it with one-time-only funding through reductions in one-time-only programs and funding from the State of Oregon. The ongoing funding will be used to support the 1 of the 3 proposed amendments. (2 of 3)

This amendment will do the following with the goal of fully funding the Market Street and Wy'East shelters with one-time-only funding.

- Fund with the State Ask re: Homeless Services Department funding (\$5,375,330) since state funding is one-time-only.
- The Homeless Services Department (HSD) program eliminated is in the diversion category, specifically for the Ticket Home program. This program is redundant of existing allowable activities for HSD contracted providers. Client assistance funds can be used for the transportation and food/beverage needs of the client. Also can be counted toward outcome goals for housing placement with family/friends. This would also give us follow up data for post placement.
- Department of Community Justice (DCJ) Adult Stabilization and Readiness Program (SARP) program outcomes are nice to have and the department is planning to meet the same goals with half the funding. I posit that they can achieve some of the goals with no SHS funding and instead align their goals with the outcome measures we need and want out of Homeless Services Department (HSD) programs and the Homeless Response Action Plan (HRAP). HRAP should not require diversion of funds from core services, instead, it should seek opportunities to align programs and goals across the county that already serve and touch people experiencing homelessness.
- Reduce navigation (see amendment 3 of 3 that backfills this funding with ongoing Supportive Housing Services (SHS) funds).
- This amendment is unbalanced by \$6,834 to fully fund this program.

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#### Pull Funds from:

Program	Dept./Program Title	Amount	Fund Type
30500	Homeless Services Department (HSD) - Diversion Services	\$49,658	GF OTO
30500	Homeless Services Department (HSD) - Diversion Services	\$138,902	SHS OTO
50041	Department of Community Justice (DCJ)-SARP	\$993,663	SHS OTO
State Ask	Replace PSH ask with this shelter ask due to OTO nature of state funding	\$5,375,330	State GF
30210B	Homeless Services Department (HSD) Navigation & Service Coordination	\$540,491	SHS OTO

# Amendment #6 Commissioner Shannon Singleton

Fully funds the Homeless Services Department (HSD) program 30210B for Navigation and Service Coordination (3 of 3).

HSD Amendment 3 of 3 - Service Coordination & Navigation Services (Program 30210B)

#### Pull Funds from:

Program	Dept./Program Title	Amount	Fund Type
10000B	Non D - HRS -	\$281,288	SHS
10018	Non D - Office of Sustainability	\$259,203	GF

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# Amendment #7 Commissioner Meghan Moyer

#### **Restore Student Based Mental Health**

Addition of Mental Health Consultants balanced with top staff reductions in Office of COO/DCM and Office of the Chair.

In Program 40082: School Based Mental Health ADD

- 0.67 FTE Mental Health Consultant (Job Code 6365) \$110,230
- 0.67 FTE Mental Health Consultant (Job Code 6365) \$102,737
- 0.83 FTE Mental Health Consultant (Job Code 6365) \$126,683
- 0.67 FTE Mental Health Consultant (Job Code 6365) \$110,230
- 0.67 FTE Mental Health Consultant (Job Code 6365) \$112,548
- 0.67 FTE Mental Health Consultant (Job Code 6365) \$99,029
- 0.83 FTE Mental Health Consultant (Job Code 6365) \$126,683 (previously funded as a Limited Duration Assignment (LDA)

Total \$788,140 Source of funds: General fund balanced with reductions below:

Proposed Cuts to Balance Proposed Additions to Chair's Proposed FY 2026 Budget:

- In Program 10000A: Chair's Office ELIMINATE: 1.00 FTE Deputy Chief of Staff (Job Code 9400) \$267,601 or equivalent financial cut.
- In 72000: Office of Chief Operating Officer (COO)/Department of County Management (DCM) ELIMINATE: 1.00 FTE Deputy Chief Operating Officer (COO) (Job Code 9811) \$425,578 or equivalent financial cut (currently vacant)
- Additional Revenue increase of \$100,000 (minimum) for anticipated Medicaid Billing

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Amendment #8
Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
May 21, 2025

# Add funding for program 30300 Housing Placement & Retention - Adults & Women Households for the smaller three East County Cities

Amendment: Additional \$124,000 to program 30300 for housing placement services associated with the smaller three east county cities, who similarly have a gap in funding at a time when their outreach program is just getting off the ground.

Offset - East County Homelessness Resource Center (ECHRC) Cook Plaza Operations budget for FY 2026

Amendment #9
Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
May 21, 2025

# Restore full funding to the City of Gresham's Housing Placement and Retention capacity in program 30300 Housing Placement & Retention - Adults & Women Households

Allocates \$188,491 of one-time-only (OTO) to program offer 30300 to restore full funding the city of Gresham's housing placement and retention program. This fiscal year, the city has used its funds to place 80 people in permanent housing, exceeding its goal of 55 placements by over 45%, with over a month still remaining in the fiscal year. This additional funding will ensure full funding for this successful program in FY 2026.

Offset- East County Homelessness Resource Center (ECHRC) Cook Plaza Operations budget for FY 2026

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Amendment #10 Commissioner Meghan Moyer May 23, 2025

Expand Medicaid Long-term Care for Homeless Individuals with Severe and Persistent Mental Illness (SPMI) by \$500,000 to the Department of County Human Services (DCHS)

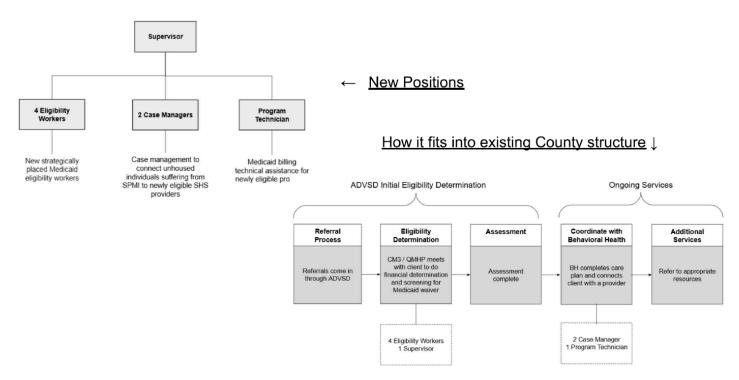
This funding will expand the Homeless Mobile Intake Team (program 25029) to provide Medicaid LongTerm Care eligibility and case management to individuals with Severe and Persistent Mental Illness (SPMI). Health Dept (HD) and Homeless Services Dept (HSD) will help identify providers and collaborate on program design. During FY 2026, Homeless Response System, DCHS, HD, & HSD will work to establish processes and systems, and target rollout for January 2026.

Proposed Medicaid SPMI Team

CGF Towards Match	Match %	Medicaid
\$500,000	37.59%	\$1,330,141

Item	Description	Classification	Cost Per Position (includes indirect)	Position Count	Total
1	4.0 FTE: New strategically placed Medicaid eligibility workers	Case Manager Senior	\$154,930	4	\$619,720
2	1.0 FTE: Medicaid billing technical assistance for newly eligible providers	Program Technician	\$134,251	1	\$134,251
3	2.0 FTE: Case management to connect unhoused SPMI individuals to newly eligible SHS providers	Case Manager 2	\$144,030	2	\$288,060
4	1.0 FTE: Program supervisor to supervisor employees	Program Supervisor	\$209,874	1	\$209,874
				Total	\$1,251,905
			Medicaid available	(projection)	\$1,330,141
				Difference	\$78,236





#### Offsetting Reductions

- 10020 RACC (10020): Eliminate \$300,000 in General Funds. The County will continue contributing 2% of direct construction costs which is estimated to total \$840,252 FY 2026 (Library Construction Bond Project \$589,392, Other Capital Projects- \$250,860) as required by Multnomah County 2% for Art Ordinance.
- Program 10018: Office of Sustainability ELIMINATE: \$676,134
  - \$153,137 1.00 FTE Program Communications Specialist (Job Code 6178)
  - \$185,130 1.00 FTE Program Specialist Senior (Job Code 6088)
  - \$187,972 1.00 FTE Program Specialist Senior (Job Code 6088)
  - \$149,895 1.00 FTE Program Specialist (Job Code 6021)

Total savings would eliminate all but the lead position and amend the program to move it from Nondepartmental to the Department of County Management to report to the Chief Operating Officer. The remaining 1.00 FTE will work with departments to identify sustainability measures and implement county environmental goals within the county functions and programs. This position may also advise the Board on policies in which the County Board of Commissioners has jurisdiction. The work of this position will be limited to county specific work.

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Amendment #11
Commissioner Shannon Singleton
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
Proposed on May 22, 2025

# Restoration of \$3.3 million in funding for the Income Acquisition— Employment Programs (Program Offer 30600)

Adds County General Fund to Program 25029 in order to reallocate SHS funding

Program	Dept./Program Title	Amount	Fund Type
25029	DCHS - Fund LTSS with County General to generate Medicaid Match	+\$327,000	GF Ongoing
	Medicaid Match Funding	+\$665,295	Medicaid
	Total	\$992,295	

#### Pull Funds from:

Program	Dept./Program Title	Amount	Fund Type
25000A	DCHS - Director's Office - 1.00 FTE	-\$198,440	SHS
25029	DCHS - ADVSD LTSS Nursing Homes and Homeless Services (Medicaid)	-\$992,295	SHS
25118	DCHS - YFS - Youth & Family Services Administration - 1.00 FTE Assertive Engagement Trainer	-\$188,927	SHS
25160	DCHS - YFS - DSVCO Data and Evaluation Services - 1.50 FTE	-\$219,181	SHS
10000A	NonD - Chair's Office	-\$148,614	GF Ongoing
72000	NonD - COOs Office	-\$417,547	GF Ongoing
10020	RACC	-\$300,000	GF Ongoing
10018	NonD - Office of Sustainability	-\$81,906	GF Ongoing

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Program	Dept./Program Title	Amount	Fund Type
40104b	HD - Sobering Center - Community Health Specialist 2 (3.00 FTE)	-\$337,254	GF Ongoing
25000C	State of the Children Report	-\$150,000	GF OTO
10000C	HB 4002 FTE (vacant)	-\$221,472	GF Ongoing
	Current Total	-\$3,255,636	
	Remaining to be funded	\$44,364	

- The goal of this amendment is to fully fund employment programs at \$3,300,000 (employment). Our offices will work with the Chief Operating Officer (COO) to find the balance of \$44,364 that is needed to fully fund the employment program.
- DCHS LTSS Nursing Homes and Homeless Services (Program 25029) this
  program has 5.00 FTE that conduct assessments and determine eligibility for
  Aging, Disability and Veterans(ADVSD) services. This is something that should
  be done through existing eligibility workers as people who qualify for these
  services should be able to access them regardless of housing status. We should
  not need a special program using Supportive Housing Services (SHS) dollars to
  do something that the County should be doing anyway.
- Supportive Housing Services (SHS) is a portion of the program funding. The remaining funding is County General Fund and that has 34.00 remaining FTE.
- There is the potential to backfill 1.00 FTE Assertive Engagement trainer (program 25118) or the Data and Evaluation 1.50 FTE (program 25160) with General Fund if available.

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Amendment #12
Commissioner Meghan Moyer
Proposed on May 28, 2025

Instructing the Office of the Chief Operating Officer to reimagine Human Resources in Multnomah County and eliminating eight HR positions or fiscal equivalent of \$1.5 million.

Human Resources (HR) professionals provide a wide range of internal services that are essential to Multnomah County's success, including recruitment, training, contract negotiation, benefit management, and creating a diverse and inclusive workplace. However, employee feedback and initial budget review reveal inconsistencies in HR practices between and within Departments, duplication of functions due to the "hybrid" nature of the current HR structure, and a HR to staff ratio that is approximately twice the industry recommended standard for local governments.

The Office of the Chief Operating Officer is directed to report back to the Board by December 31, 2025:

- Clarify HR roles, including authority and decision-making between Central HR and Departmental HRI;
- 2. Propose a new structure for HR;
- 3. Identify HR redundancies and other cost-saving efficiencies;
- 4. Propose interim steps to bridge any necessary planning period and the realization of financial savings in FY 2026;
- 5. Reductions totalling \$1.5m in savings in FY 2026, either by eliminating the following vacant HR positions or identifying other savings in Central and Department Human Resources. Suggestions:
  - Program 78001 (Job Code 9080 1.00 FTE \$170,188)
  - Program 72009B (Job Code 9670 1.00 FTE \$161,750)
  - Program 72017 (Job Code 9748 2.00 FTE \$443,424)
  - Program 40000A (Job Code 9715 & 9748 2.00 FTE \$369,358)
  - Program 40039 (Job Code 9669 & 9748 2.00 FTE \$522,964).

Total Savings: \$1.5m (in first fiscal year, with more savings each following year)

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Amendment #13
Commissioner Meghan Moyer
Proposed on May 28, 2025

Reduces funding for the Complaints Investigation Unit (program 72021) and directs the program to focus on investigating protected class HR complaints.

The Complaints Investigation Unit (CIU) has received significant criticism and employees have indicated they want it <u>eliminated</u> Multnomah County's own <u>evaluation</u> found that 50% of employees indicated that they would not feel safe filing a complaint with the CIU. There is no evidence this program has achieved the goal of helping employees feel more comfortable in the workplace. This amendment reduces funding for CIU and asks the COO to report back on whether a different program is desired by employees.

Reduces the following in the Complaints Investigation Unit (CIU program 72021)

- Reduce Program FTE in half by 3.00 FTE
- Redirect CIU to focus on investigating protected class HR complaints.
- Directs the Chief Operating Officer (COO) to report on employee attitudes toward creation of a new program.
- Total Savings: \$736,335 ongoing County General Fund

Reduces the Equity Focused Organizational Development Contracting (program 72053)

- Eliminate program offer
- Savings: \$100,000 one-time-only County General Funds

Total Savings: \$836,335

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Amendment #14
Commissioner Meghan Moyer
Proposed on May 28, 2025

#### **Capital Development Plan**

- 1. Fully Fund Lone Fir Memorial
  - Adds \$1.0 million for a total of \$2.5M for construction
  - Adds \$50,000 starting capital for a fund dedicated to the long-term maintenance and preservation of the memorial site.
  - Commitment to increase the fund contribution to \$1.7M in future fiscal vears.
- 2. Gender-Neutral Public Restroom near Commission Boardroom
  - Adds \$500,000 to renovate two gendered restrooms into one large multi-stall
  - gender-neutral restroom (row of sinks, row of stalls with full height partitions, one or more family stalls with changing stations)
  - Adds \$200,000 of contingency funds to Include in planning the possibility of converting the small office currently occupied by VOYA between the restrooms and the boardroom into a gender-neutral, ADA accessible single-stall restroom.
- 3. Increased funding for ADA ramps
  - Consider additional funding to assure that curbs permit persons with disabilities to access and cross streets safely in compliance with the ADAA.

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# WITHDRAWN (see amendment #31)

Amendment #15
Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Meghan Moyer
Proposed on May 29, 2025

Increase Behavioral Health Pathways and Improve Outcomes for Individuals in the Public Safety System / District Attorney's Office

Commissioners Brim-Edwards and Moyer propose an amendment that restores a total of \$417,049 for 2.00 FTE in the District Attorney's Budget in the following program areas:

- \$205,064 for 1.00 FTE Treatment Court Unit Deputy District Attorney
- \$211,985 for 1.00 FTE Civil Commitment Deputy District Attorney

Offset by \$417,049 from the ongoing General Funds from the opioid settlement contained in the Chair's Revenue Amendment 1.

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Amendment #16
Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
Co-sponsored by Chair Vega Pederson
Proposed on May 29, 2025

Adapting Staffing Needs for the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council The Local Public Safety Coordinating Council (LPSCC) is a statutorily required, unique and valuable collaborative body of stakeholders representing diverse parts of the public safety system. LPSCC "coordinate[s] local criminal justice policy among affected criminal justice entities" (ORS 423.560). To support this charge, staff support LPSCC through coordinating inter-agency public policy discussions, and by providing organizational and communications support. LPSCC stakeholders have identified a growing need for data and policy analytics to examine the public safety system and inform decision-making for the Council and Council Subcommittees.

This budget amendment is co-sponsored with Chair Vega Pederson to repurpose and reclassify the current 1.00 FTE Strategic Initiatives Manager to focus 50% of the work on data and analytical projects and 50% of their time performing policy analysis to reflect current staffing needs for the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council (LPSCC).

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Amendment #17
Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
Proposed on May 29, 2025

#### Restore \$200,000 of Funding for Animal After Hours Emergency Medical Care

Commissioners Brim-Edwards proposes an amendment that restores Multnomah County Animal Services (MCAS) emergency contracted services for animal health for pets, as directed by the Department of Community Services (DCS) for a total of \$200,000. In addition to emergency medical care for fostered animals, there are many situations where animals - many who are strays - are found by good samaritans and law enforcement after MCAS shelter hours, who are injured or sick and in need of emergency medical care after hours. This amendment complements and perfects full restoration of funding for MCAS after hours emergency medical care for animals, in addition to the previous amendment for emergency contracted services for foster animals.

Offset by \$200,000 from two (2.00) FTE:

- Behavioral Health Executive Specialist \$114,970
- Behavioral Health Administration Program Supervisor (total split with amendment #31) - \$85,030

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Amendment #18
Commissioner Meghan Moyer
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
Proposed on May 29, 2025

# Addition of \$2,657,621 for Eviction Defense Services, Housing Case Management, and Expungement Assistance

This amendment adds the following:

Program 30100: System Access, Assessment, & Navigation in the Homeless Services Department

- \$433,360 for housing, immigration, and collateral consequence legal services to individuals and families enrolled in the coordinated access system (Youth, Family, Adult, and Domestic Violence systems).
- \$339,000 for eviction defense legal services.

Program 25131A: Youth and Family Services (YFS) - Legal Services & Supports

- \$250,000 to Project Reset Legal Services Days to provide expungement of an additional \$1,100,000 in mostly uncollectible fines that keep people from acquiring licenses and housing. Previously funded with one-time-only.
- \$580,000 to Tenant Eviction Defense (TED) program to provide free, same-day, onsite legal education, advice and negotiation to tenants at Multnomah County Courthouse and the East County Courthouse. In FY 2025 this was listed as, "Program #25131E YFS Eviction Prevention: In Courtroom Support" and funded with \$330,000 General Fund and \$250,000 Supportive Housing Services (SHS).

Program 25131B: Youth and Family Services (YFS) - Peer Navigators

 \$621,261 to fund case management for people involved in the criminal justice system at FY 2025 level.

Expungement Access System Improvement (EASI)

 \$100,000 to community partners tasked with supporting the District Attorney's office by processing delayed expungements. Previously supported through OTO outside of any program offer.

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Program 25131C: Youth and Family Services (YFS) - Eviction Prevention Support

• \$334,000 for eviction legal defense services, including landlord negotiations, referrals to community partners, and consultation with tenants to prevent cases from going to court whenever possible. Prevents up to 300 evictions annually.

This amendment will be offset with reductions to materials and supplies budgets and vacant positions in the County General Fund.

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Amendment #19
Commissioner Meghan Moyer
Proposed on May 29, 2025

# Communications Office Reshuffle to Increase Marketing and Branding of Multnomah County

In order to increase the visibility and transparency of Multnomah County's work, two FTE in the Chair's proposed budget shall be dedicated to working with departments on branding the services Multnomah County provides through county programs, departments, employees, and contracted service providers.

#### In order to accomplish this:

- In Program Offer 10007A Communications Office, reassign 1.00 FTE Public Affairs Coordinator (Job Code 6089) \$171,699 to Marketing and Branding Coordinator, or equivalent to 1.00 FTE spread out across staff positions. They will work with departments to ensure the visibility of County programs.
- 2. The Chief Operating Office (COO) will work with the Communication's Office to implement this work and ensure the participation of departments. They will establish opportunities for branding and marketing visibility for the County through departments, programs, and contracts. COO will report back to the Board on progress in these efforts as well as the needs for both Communications and County departments to further this branding effort.
- Communication's Office will create a job description specifying the needed skills in order to fill a second Marketing and Branding Coordinator. This position will be offset by eliminating the new 1.00 FTE \$171,703 Public Affairs Coordinator (Job Code 6089) \$171,699 in program offer 10007B Expanded Communications Capacity.

Budget Impact: Amendment is balanced as written.

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Amendment #20 Commissioner Meghan Moyer Proposed on May 29, 2025

Addition of 2.50 FTE Senior Budget Analyst and increased required program deliverables for Budget Office balanced with cuts of 3.00 FTE Staff Assistant (Communications) in Chair's Office

This amendment increases program 72001: Budget Office by \$571,887 it would add 2.00 new Sr. Budget Analysts (job class 9730) and restore a 0.50 Principal Budget Analyst (job class 9734).

The following elements would be added to the Budget Office program offer:

- Working with departments to develop their program offers and verifying the accuracy of the financial aspects of program offers before submitting to the Chair and commissioners;
- Reviewing program offers for potential redundancies, cost savings, and efficiencies and presenting findings to the Office of the COO.
- In collaboration with the Office of the COO, reviews and analyzes budget proposals, changes, and decisions for efficacy, efficiency, and equity impacts; overall performance of the program in relation to stated measurable goals;

Offsetting reductions in program 10000A Chair's Office:

- 1.00 FTE Staff Assistant (Communications) (Job Code 9400) \$151,839 [New communications position proposed in Chair's recommended budget]
- 1.00 FTE Staff Assistant (Communications) (Job Code 9400) \$223,678
- 1.00 FTE Staff Assistant (Communications) (Job Code 9400) \$196,370

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Amendment #21
Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Meghan Moyer
Proposed on May 29, 2025

#### OSU Extension and Multnomah County \$520,000 Sponsorship

Amendment: Establish an Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon State University (OSU) Extension Service to provide \$520,000 ongoing funding to restore and expand local programs in Multnomah County. Multnomah County is the only one of Oregon's 36 counties without a funding mechanism in place to support a full partnership with OSU Extension. As a result, current OSU Extension programs and services — though impactful — are extremely limited.

A county investment would create a base of stable support and enable OSU to invest an additional \$303,000 in state and federal ongoing funds to sustain and grow vital programs and partnerships.

Offset- To be determined based on recommendations from the Chief Operating Officer's office.

Amendment #22
Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
Proposed on May 29, 2025

Restores 2.00 Continuous Improvement Management positions in the Office of the Chief Operating Officer's Office (Program 72000)

This amendment restores 2.00 FTE (\$435,912.00), Management Analyst Sr. positions to move forward our One County Strategic planning work.

Offset -To be determined based on recommendations from the Chief Operating Officer's Office.

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Amendment #23
Commissioner Meghan Moyer
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
Proposed on May 29, 2025

Reducing the Proposed Increase in Health Inspection fees for Food Service License Fees, Food Service Plan Reviews, and Food Pod Fees from 33% to 10% for FY 2026.

The food service industry is a major contributor to Multnomah County's economic and cultural development. However, escalating costs for supplies, rents, and labor have pushed many establishments to the brink of insolvency, with impacts falling especially hard on smaller and independently-owned businesses. This amendment balances Multnomah County's need for greater cost recovery with the extraordinary challenges and uncertain economic climate facing our treasured food establishments.

The Board requests that the resolution adopting County fees be conformed to this amendment prior to adoption.

Budget Impact: \$1,119,896 reduction in County General Fund fee revenue.

Offset: Vacancies in Health Department

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Amendment #24
Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Meghan Moyer
Proposed on May 29, 2025

#### **Create the Office of Commission Services**

The Office of the Board Clerk is currently a Nondepartmental office that reports directly to the Chair. However, given the Board Clerk's role as a central administrative support function serving the public and independently elected Commission, this amendment creates a new Office of Commission Services that reports to the Chief Operating Officer.

The Office of Commission Services will continue serving functions of the Board Clerk, provide centralized administrative services to Commission offices to facilitate public meetings and provide information on items brought before the Commission and the public.

The Office will manage all Commission meetings, agendas, records, administrative rules, and schedules. It will maintain and disseminate information pertaining to adopted resolutions, orders, ordinances and proclamations, and will make this information as accessible as possible. For example, during some public hearings, the Office will ensure that translators are available for a variety of different languages so that members of the public can more easily communicate with the Board.

The Office of Commission Services will pay for the County's memberships in advocacy organizations including the National Association of Counties, Association of Oregon Counties, and Leader's Round Table. The Office of Commission Services will also be responsible for managing and implementing the newly adopted County Lobbying and Transparency Program.

Additionally, the Office of Commission Services will facilitate Board Staff meetings by supporting agenda management and coordinating with Department representatives. The Office will also assist in the coordination of constituent services for Commission offices and the appointments to County committees and advisory groups.

This amendment moves Program Offer: 10011 Office of the Board Clerk into the Office of the Chief Operating Officer.

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#### Amendment #25

#### **Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards**

Proposed on June 4, 2025 (updated)

# Restore and Improve Capacity for the Body Worn Cameras Program in the District Attorney's Office

Commissioner Brim-Edwards proposes an amendment that restores three (3.00) FTE and technology in the Body Worn Cameras Unit for a total of \$810,500.

Offset by \$810,500 from the following:

- Revenue Amendment #3 one-time-only \$495,288
- Partial delay in vacancy hiring \$315,212

# Amendment #26 Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards Co-sponsored by Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon

Proposed on May 29, 2025

Commissioners Brim-Edwards and Jones-Dixon propose an amendment that restores the Organized Retail & Auto Theft Task Forces for a total of \$510,400 for 5.00 FTE in the District Attorney's Budget.

Offset by \$510,400 from four (4.00) FTE vacant County positions.

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Amendment #27
Commissioner Shannon Singleton
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
May 29, 2025

#### **Voter Education Mini-Grant Program**

Voter Education Mini-grant Program-- these funds will be used to provide \$100,000 of one-time-only funding for culturally specific Community Based Organizations (CBOs) to support voter education for those outside of the City of Portland, who will be experiencing rank choice voting for the first time in November 2026 when the County conducts its first rank choice voting. This amendment contemplates that the funds will be distributed by the Department of Community Services.

Amendment #28
Commissioner Shannon Singleton
May 29, 2025

### **Restore East County Fair Housing Investigations \$128,000**

East County Fair Housing-- this program was reduced due to other programs in the community conducting this same function. Since the department proposed budget was submitted, community circumstances have changed-- some fair housing funds were cut from HUD and other federal grants that supported this work. This is a small investment to ensure that people in the County who live outside of the City of Portland have access to fair housing investigations.

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Amendment #29
Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Shannon Singleton
May 29, 2025

#### **Lobbying and Transparency Program**

Commissioners Brim-Edwards and Singleton propose an amendment to provide start-up funding for the recently established Lobbying and Transparency Program.

On May 1, the Board of County Commissioners approved an ordinance that establishes a new lobbyist reporting requirement, transparency measures, and a rule requiring the Chair and Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) to post their calendars online. The ordinance takes effect on July 1, 2026 and the supporting technology solutions will be developed during FY 2026 by the Department of County Assets (DCA) and the Chief Operating Officer (COO) Office.

On May 13, COO Chris Neal provided an update to the BOCC on the status of implementation, and identified the need to carry over to FY 2026 the \$200,000 in capital funding the BOCC allocated for this project, as well as an additional \$200,000 in one-time-only (OTO) General Fund (GF) resources to provide \$50,000 of additional capital funding (Department of County Assets) and \$150,000 of funding for a limited duration (LD) project manager role to support the non-technical aspects of implementation, such as the development of education, training and outreach materials.

Offset by \$200,000 from Information Technology Beginning Working Capital and other unidentified County administrative savings.

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Amendment #30
Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
June 3, 2025

#### **Culturally-Specific Meals**

Having access to healthy meals each day is a challenge for many older adults, people with disabilities and Veterans. Limited income, functional impairment, and social isolation can be barriers to maintaining adequate nutrition. Lack of access to culturally appropriate foods can also be a barrier. Poor nutrition may lead to malnourishment, disease, and difficulty living independently at home.

The Nutrition Program helps support health, prevent disease, and reduce social isolation. Individuals either receive culturally appropriate home-delivered meals where staff are able to check on them or attend a congregate meal site where they can socialize in a community setting. This intervention ultimately helps participants remain independent in their homes. Staff also help connect participants to other services in the community.

In recent years, the need and cost for meals has grown as funding has plateaued and has been proposed to decrease.

Commissioners Brim-Edwards and Jones-Dixon propose an amendment that restores (\$135,012) and enhances (\$118,988 to deliver a target of 460,000 meals) culturally-specific meals through the Department of County Human Services for a total of \$254,000.

Offset by \$254,000 in ongoing funds from Chair's Revenue Amendment #5.

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Amendment #31
Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards
Co-sponsored Commissioner Meghan Moyer
June 4, 2025

# Protect Domestic Violence Survivors and Increase Behavioral Health Pathways and Improve Outcomes for Individuals in the Public Safety System

This amendment replaces previous amendments: Protect Domestic Violence Survivors, sponsored by Commissioner Brim-Edwards and Increase Behavioral Health Pathways and Improve Outcomes for Individuals in the Public Safety System.

Commissioners Brim-Edwards and Moyer propose an amendment that restores a total of \$639,049 for 3.00 FTE in the District Attorney's Budget in the following program areas:

- \$205,064 for 1.00 FTE Treatment Court Unit Deputy District Attorney
- \$211,985 for 1.00 FTE Civil Commitment Deputy District Attorney
- \$222,000 for 1.00 FTE Domestic Violence Unit Deputy District Attorney

Offset by \$639,049 from the ongoing General Funds from the opioid settlement contained in the Chair's Revenue Amendment 1, the remaining \$65,017 in offsets from Commissioner Brim-Edwards' Amendment to Restore \$200,000 of Funding for Animal After Hours Emergency Medical Care (amendment #17), \$30,000 in Health Department Grant Offset from the Chief Operating Officer's Additional Budget Analysis as a "possible cut."

Amendment #32 Commissioner Shannon Singleton June 3, 2025

Restores \$107,284 in funding for the Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) and Clinical Services for a nPEP/PrEP navigator.

Funding is offset from a reduction of the Equity Focused Organizational Development Contracting.

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Amendment #33
Commissioner Shannon Singleton
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
June 3, 2025

#### Expands the Summerworks Youth program by \$285,000 to serve 57 youth

The summer works program has been reduced over the past 3 years. This program had served as a means for youth to gain access to employment and exposure to fields and professions across the spectrum. Youth employment also serves as a violence prevention activity. These employment opportunities have served BIPOC youth in the past and are critical investments for both District 2 and 4. This will be funded with the OTO GF to serve 57 youth.

Offset from Revenue amendment 2 a/b.

# Amendment #34 Commissioner Shannon Singleton

June 3, 2025

### Restores \$1,685,308 of funding for Legal Services as follows:

Program	Dept/Program Title	\$ Funding
30100	For housing, immigration, and collateral consequence legal services to individuals and families enrolled in the coordinated access system	433,360
30100	For Eviction Defense Legal Services	339,000
25131A	Legal Services Days to provide expungement of mostly uncollectible fines that keep people from acquiring licenses and housing	250,000
25131A	Provide free, same-day, onsite legal education, advice and negotiation to tenants at Multnomah County Courthouse and the East County Courthouse	247,324
25131B	Restores funding for this program	415,624
	Total	\$1,685,308

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### Reduces funding for the offset from:

Program	Dept/Program Title	\$ Funding	Fund Type
	Revenue Amendment 1	545,000	Ongoing GF
	Revenue Amendment 2 a/b	100,000	OTO GF
	Revenue Amendment 4	495,298	OTO GF
	Revenue Amendment 5	254,121	OTO GF
15207	Reduce MCDA MAAP	290,889	Ongoing GF
	Total	\$1,685,308	

Amendment #35
Commissioner Meghan Moyer
June 3, 2025

# Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) Freeze for management positions

In order to minimize job losses during Fiscal Year 2026, this amendment suspends for the duration of FY 2026 all cost of living adjustments (COLA) for non-represented employees who hold management positions for Multnomah County.

# Budget Impact: Savings impact 718.05 FTE for all funds are shown in the table below.

FY 2026 Estimate	
General Funds	1,774,068
Library	320,970
Other Funds	1,650,904
Total	3,745,942

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### **WITHDRAWN**

Amendment #36
Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
June 3, 2025

# Funding to Complete the Construction of the memorial at Block 14 at Lone Fir Cemetery no maintenance funding

In 2007, Multnomah County committed to partnering with Metro to construct and operate a memorial which would acknowledge the history of the site and recognize the individuals who were interred there. To date there is proposed \$1,000,000 in the Chair's budget, alongside a proposed additional \$500,000 amendment from Commissioners Moyer and Brim Edwards, \$2,500,000 needed to construct the memorial in alignment with the community's need and vision. This amendment is to add \$1,000,000 which is anticipated to fully close the gap in needed funding to actualize the project and allow it to go out to bid for construction in the fall of 2025.

Offset TBD based on recommendations from the Chief Operating Officer's office

Amendment #37
Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
June 3, 2025

#### **East County Culturally Specific Community Food Systems Grant**

\$1.0 million of one-time-only (OTO) funding for the establishment of a grant program to be administered by Non-D for culturally specific food systems workforce development programing and site development support for a culturally specific Community Food Hub at the 4.91 acre site located at 2022 NW Division st. in Gresham, Ore.

Offset- TBD based on recommendations from the Chief Operating Officer's office

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Amendment #38
Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
June 3, 2025

#### Safety Improvements at Multnomah County property at Vance Park, Gresham

\$270,000 in one-time-only (OTO) funding is requested for 23 dual-arm light poles throughout the park to provide consistent visibility and deter unwanted activity; \$30,000 is requested for the installation of 8 cameras, co-located on the new light poles, which would provide adequate surveillance coverage across the park, further enhancing safety; and \$70,000 for the completion of a dog park.

Offset- TBD based on recommendations from the Chief Operating Officer's office

Amendment #39
Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
June 3, 2025

#### **Youth Violence Prevention in East Multnomah County**

\$125,000 in one-time-only (OTO) funding for Gresham's East Multnomah Outreach Prevention Intervention program's (EMOPI) microgrant program that funds key services delivered via our community-based partners when schools are closed. Youth violence often spikes when schools close. This amendment would fund winter, spring and summer break programming that has proven to keep youth engaged in pro-social activities and reduce the likelihood of violence and other crimes. \$125,000 would help fund EMOPI's microgrant program that funds key services delivered by community-based partners when schools are closed.

Offset- TBD based on recommendations from the Chief Operating Officer's office

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Amendment #40
Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon
June 4, 2025

#### Restore East County Liaison position within the Homeless Services Department

Restores funding in program 30004 - Policy & Planning, Restore one-time-only (OTO) funding for \$240,000 to support a 1.00 FTE East County Homeless Service System Liaison Program Specialist Senior.

Offset- East County Homelessness Resource Center (ECHRC) Cook Plaza Operations budget for FY 2026

Amendment #41
Commissioner Meghan Moyer
Co-sponsored Vince Jones-Dixon
June 4, 2025

#### **Restores Successful Families program**

Successful Families connects historically underserved students and their families with culturally specific supports delivered in partnership with school leaders and trusted community-based organizations. The options below ensure that Reynolds and David Douglas school districts sites will be eligible for services such as one-on-one support to youth, cultural identity promotion, youth internships, career exploration and recreation. Parents and families will also be able to access one-on-one support and group activities with other parents and caregivers. County contracts will encourage collaborative service delivery, including allowing for multiple service providers to work at the same school sites.

In program offer 25145 YFS Sun Community Schools add

• \$2.0 million to fund a level sufficient to ensure integration of Successful Families programming into SUN Community Schools.

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#### Amend:

- The program offer and corresponding program requirements shall be updated to include an output pertaining to parent/legal guardians and/or caregivers.
- The program offer shall be revised to allow multiple providers (not necessarily just the
- SUN site provider) to provide on-site services and programming.
- SUN shall expand youth advocacy in high equity index schools.

Offset: At the discretion of the Chief Operating Officer (COO)

Amendment #42 Commissioner Julia Brim-Edwards June 4, 2025

Phased Vacancy Filling (Hiring Freeze) - information forthcoming

Amendment #43
Commissioner Meghan Moyer
June 4, 2025

#### **Countywide Sponsorship Savings**

In order to minimize job losses and maintain direct services to our community's most vulnerable populations, this amendment suspends all sponsorships originating from Multnomah County departments and offices for the duration of FY 2026. Sponsorships of employee events are exempt.

Budget Impact: Estimate requested but amount was indeterminate. Savings will be realized at the end of FY 2026 and used for FY 2027.