



New CBAC Member Orientation & Onboarding

Multnomah County 101

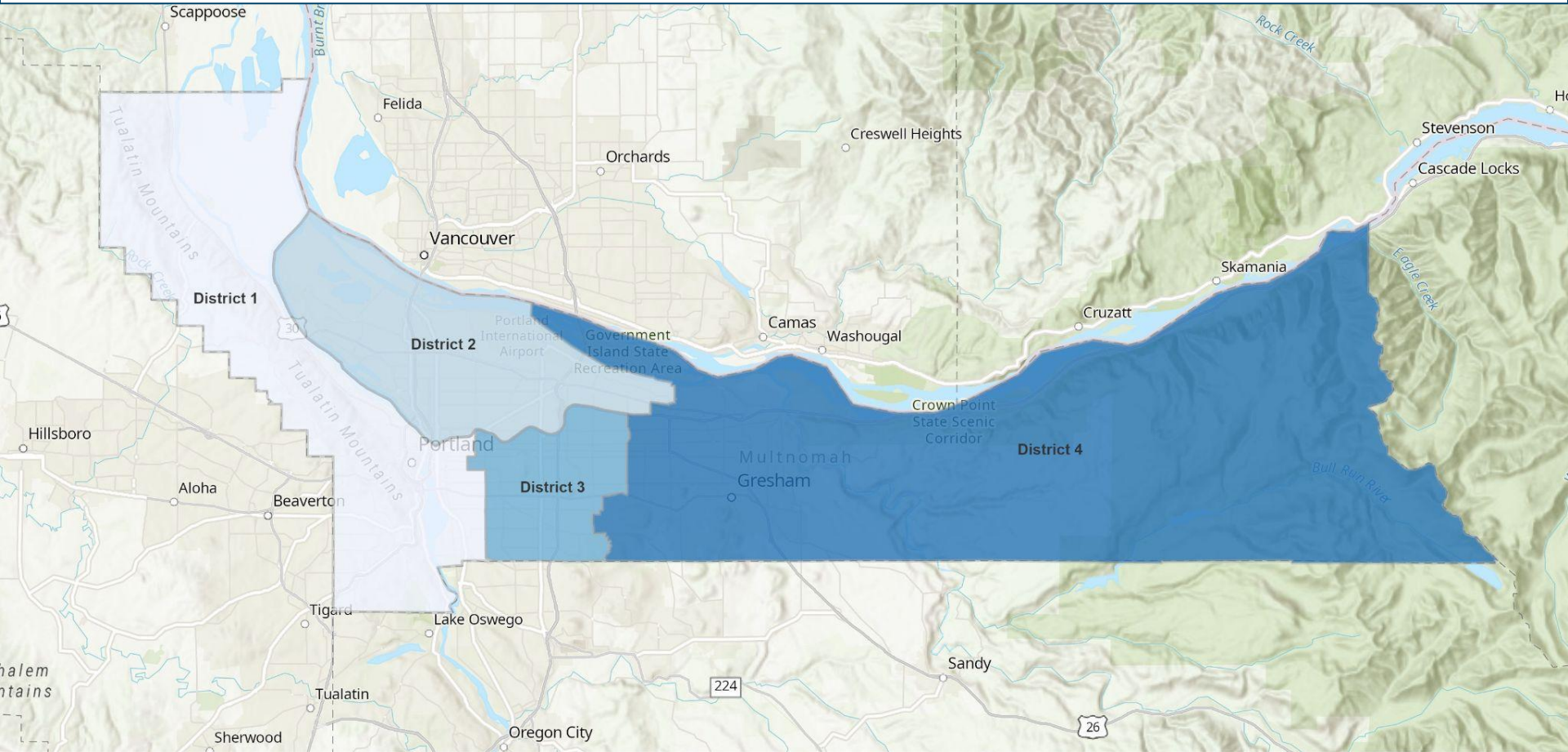


Office of Community Involvement



Session Two
September 29, 2025
The Office of Community Involvement

Multnomah County Boundary & Districts





County Departments

- Homelessness Services Department (**HSD**)
- Department of County Human Services (**DCHS**)
- District Attorney's (**DA**) Office
- Department of Community Services (**DCS**)
- Department of County Assets (**DCA**)
- Health Department
- Sheriff's Department (**MCSO**)
- Department of Community Justice (**DCJ**)
- Libraries
- Department of County Management (**DCM**)
- Non-Departmental (**Non-D**) Offices

Where's Multco?

Sheriff's Office

Serving Legal Papers

Department of County Human Services

Services for Seniors and Disabled People

Library

Citizenship & Learning English

Department of Community Services

Animal Services

Homeless Services Department

Shelter for Houseless Families

Non-D Offices: Office of Sustainability Climate Justice Support

Department of Community Justice

Youth Detention Center

District Attorney's Office

Prosecution of Crimes

Health Department

Pregnancy and Parenting Support

Department of Community Assets

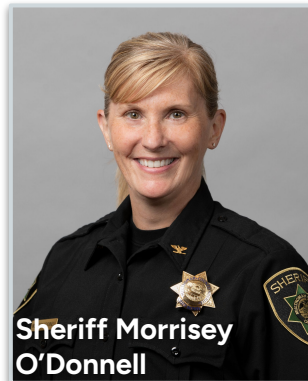
Public Records Request

Department of County Management

Marriage Licenses

County Electeds

Elected Officials



The Chair and Commissioners are elected to four-year terms on non-partisan ballots. The Chair is elected to serve at-large. Commissioners are elected from west, north, central and east geographic districts based on population.

The District Attorney, Sheriff, and Auditor are also elected positions. Like Commissioners, they too serve 4-year terms.

Roles

Researcher(s)

Note Taker

Observer

Reporter

Directions

Using [Multnomah County's](#) website and / or other sources, write a brief description of the role of the elected official(s) on your group's page.

- Illuminate. Demystify. Clarify.
- Limit your description to 4 sentences.
- Use "everyday" language.

GROUP ONE: Role of the Chair



- Became chair on January 1, 2023
- Presides over Board of County Commissioner meetings (agenda, facilitation, etc.)
- Serves as Chief Executive and “CEO” for the County; “the buck stops with her”; executes contracts, proclamations, ordinances, policies, etc. on behalf of the County
- Oversees and administers all County programs, except those under the other electeds (Sheriff, Auditor, and DA)
- Proposes the initial Chair’s Budget to the other County Commissioners
- Collaborates with other governments in the County and in the region (including Metro)

GROUP TWO: Role of County Commissioners



The County Commissioners serve as the county's primary legislative and policy-making body. They review, amend, and adopt the county budget, and oversee county departments and administrative structure. They act as liaisons to advisory boards and commissions, adopt policies and labor agreements, and shape county priorities. They hold regular public meetings and deliberate on ordinances, orders, proclamations, and county business.

GROUP THREE: Role of District Attorney



District Attorney: Nathan Vasquez

- 1. Responsible for enforcing criminal law; the DA is in charge of managing the Office**
- 2. Increase and maintain public safety through compassionate accountability, empowerment of crime victims, and community collaboration**
- 3. Community collaboration through crime prevention and public safety initiatives**
- 4. File cases, negotiate plea deals, present cases in court on behalf of government, manage diversion programs (e.g., drug and mental health court)**

GROUP FOUR: Role of Auditor



Auditor McGuirk

- **Analyzes effectiveness of government programs**
 - Financial and performance audits
 - Reports and recommendations
- **Focus on large, high cost, or public facing programs**
- **May focus on entire department or specific programs**
- **Operate independently**
- **Host Good Government Hotline and Ombudsman**

Board of County Commissioners (BOCC)
Chair: Jessica Vega Pederson
D1: Meghan Moyer
D2: Shannon Singleton
D3: Julia Brim-Edwards
D4: Vince Jones-Dixon



Organization Chart

Elected Official Offices
Auditor: Jennifer McGuirk
District Attorney: Mike Schmidt
Sheriff: Nicole Morrissey O'Donnell (MCSO)

Department of County Management (DCM)

- Assessment, Recording, Taxation
- Finance & Risk Management
- Central Human Resources

Department of County Assets (DCA)

- Facilities & Property Management (Distribution)
- Fleet & Motorpool
- Information Technologies
- Records

Non-Departmental Offices

- ☐ Community Involvement
- ☐ Communications
- ☐ County Attorney
- ☐ Diversity and Equity
- ☐ Emergency Management
- ☐ Sustainability
- ☐ Local Public Safety Coordinating Council

Department of Community Services (DCS)

- Animal Services
- Elections
- Transportation (Bridges, Roads, Land Use)

Library

- 19 Neighborhood locations
- Various Programs (Discovery Passes, Makerspaces, We Speak Your Language)

Homeless Services Department (HSD)

Department of Community Justice (DCJ)

- Adult Services
- Juvenile Services
- Family Court

Examples of countywide groups:

Leadership Council

HR Executive Council

Finance Management Group

Change Management Community of Practice

Employee Resource Groups (ERGs)

Health Department (HD)

- Integrated Clinical Services
- Behavioral Health Division
- Public Health
- Corrections Health
- Health Officer

Department of County Human Services (DCHS)

- Aging, Disability, and Veteran Services
- Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
- Youth and Family Services
- Preschool for All

General Government

Public Safety

Health & Human Services

Reflections

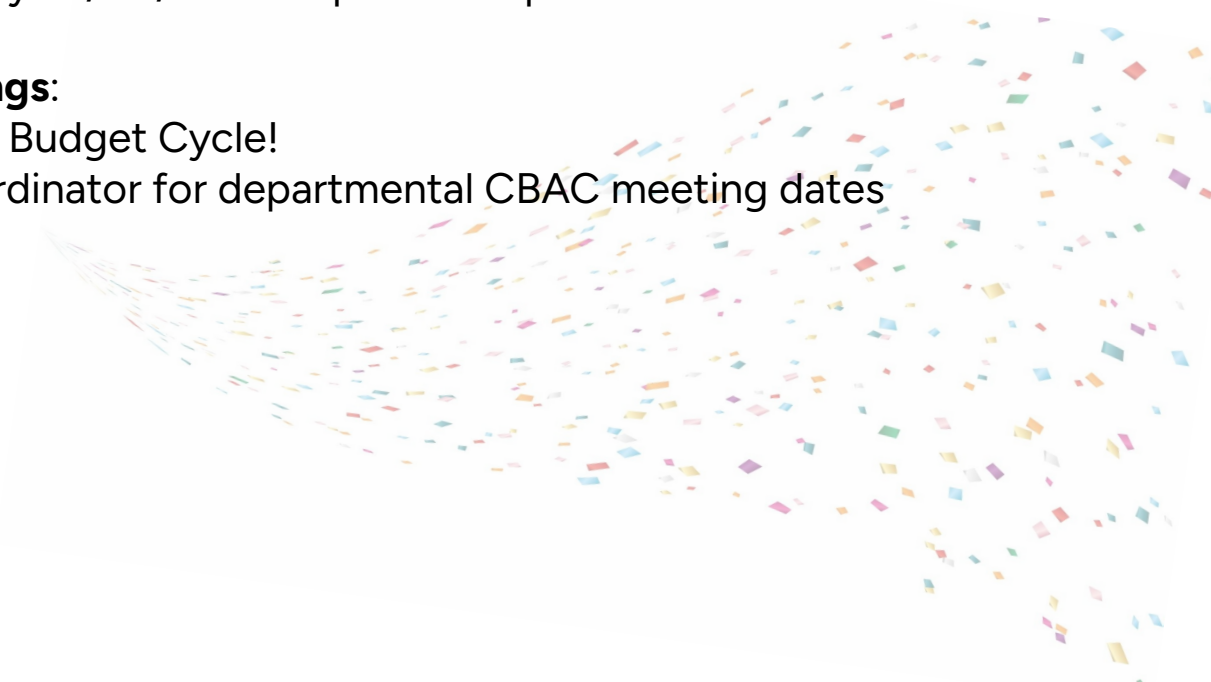
1. Experience
2. Highlights
3. Feedback for improvement

Coming Up

Last Session

- Budget 101 - Wednesday 10/08/25 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Departmental CBAC Meetings:

- October Kick Off FY 27 Budget Cycle!
 - Confirm with your Coordinator for departmental CBAC meeting dates
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- A decorative graphic consisting of a large, dense cloud of small, multi-colored rectangular confetti pieces. The confetti is scattered across the lower right portion of the slide, extending from the bottom left towards the top right, creating a sense of movement and celebration. The colors include various shades of blue, green, yellow, orange, red, and purple.

Thank you!