

Department:

Program #10003 - BCC District 3

Nondepartmental Program Contact: Jessica Vega Pederson

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program Program Offer Stage: As Requested

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

Multnomah County Commissioner Jessica Vega Pederson is one of five elected officials who form the governing body of Multnomah County. She represents District 3, comprising much of SE Portland. District 3 is the most densely populated County district according to 2020 U.S. Census data. Commissioner Vega Pederson focuses on serving her constituents and the needs of east Portland while embracing the County's mission, vision and values of equity, sustainability, inclusivity, social justice, health, public safety, integrity and innovation. To learn more please visit https://multco.us/commissioner-vega-pederson

Program Summary

As the lone locally elected official designated with representing east Portland, Commissioner Jessica Vega Pederson takes her responsibilities to serve this unique part of our region very seriously. The Commissioner's top priorities include addressing the disparities and inequities affecting District 3, as well as low income and Black, Indigenous and people of color communities generally, such as: the homelessness crisis; the lack of transportation options; the need for affordable housing; access to affordable preschool and child care; more robust and varied behavioral health services; combating historically high rates of gun violence; and mitigating the impacts of climate change, extreme weather events, and pollution on front line communities.

To address these issues, Commissioner Vega Pederson championed passage of the Preschool for All, which will provide free, universal preschool to all 3 and 4 year olds in Multnomah County in the coming years. In partnership with Multnomah County's Preschool and Early Learning division, the Commissioner is working to ensure a smooth and timely implementation of Preschool for All. Commissioner Vega Pederson has also led the County's efforts to combat climate change and pollution, co-sponsoring the County's #100by50 and Environmental Justice resolutions, as well as efforts to regulate the use of wood smoke. She has also fought to establish a timeline for TriMet's conversion to a zero emissions fleet and has led efforts to improve the transportation system, particularly in east Portland, through investments in pedestrian safety, multimodal options, and expanded transit.

Commissioner Vega Pederson serves on the Portland Children's Levy allocation committee, which awards nearly \$19 million annually in programs touching on early childhood, hunger relief, mentorship, after school activities, child abuse prevention and supports for foster kids. She also serves as the County's liaison to the Advisory Committee on Sustainability and Innovation, and on several transportation committees, including the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation and the TriMet Transit Advisory Committee. She also co-chairs the Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge feasibility project, which aims to create a resilient lifeline crossing over the Willamette River in the event of a major earthquake.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer			
Output	Proactively communicate with residents through a monthly community newsletter.	12	12	12	12			
Outcome	Provide testimony & meet with State/Federal officials on issues, such as transportation, homelessness & housing.	13	12	17	12			
Outcome	Engage community & conduct outreach via attendance of neighborhood meetings & community events.	17	12	25	15			
Output	Convene, attend or participate in meetings on preschool or childcare needs and policy.	N/A	8	37	15			

Performance Measures Descriptions

1) Continue to publish a monthly newsletter. 2) Maintain federal and state advocacy, holding meetings with lawmakers, community groups and advocacy organizations. 3) Convene and/or participate in community-oriented events; provide opportunities for constituents to engage with local issues or county work; and provide translation services for events convened by Commissioner Vega Pederson's office. 4) Meet with county staff, community organizations, legislators and other organizations about Preschool for All. implementation, and lessons learned.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

The Multnomah County Commissioners offices are mandated by the Multnomah County Home Rule Charter, Chapter III, 3.10.(3).

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Requested General Fund	Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2022	2022	2023	2023
Personnel	\$606,229	\$0	\$635,978	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$34,110	\$0	\$37,856	\$0
Internal Services	\$84,361	\$0	\$87,466	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$724,700	\$0	\$761,300	\$0
Program Total:	\$724,700		\$761,300	
Program FTE	4.00	0.00	4.00	0.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2022: 10003 BCC District 3