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Youth Opportunity and Workforce Development FY 2024 Proposed Budget

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Board of County Commissioners

Multnomah County
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Located at: www.multco.us/budget

Introduction

- Youth Opportunity and Workforce Development program provides **youth ages 14 to 24** with incentivized learning opportunities and paid work experiences
- The program is administered by **Worksystems Inc (WSI)**, the Local Workforce Development Board
- Services are delivered by a **network of community and school partners**
- Since 2014, the program has served about **8,000 participants** and provided over **\$8.0M in youth wages**



Approach & Equity

- **Youth experiencing barriers** to employment are **prioritized** for placement
- Deep **partnership with communities of color** and advocacy organizations to develop programming and support services
- Proactively develop opportunities that are community-based and **deliver services directly to underserved and marginalized** communities
- Continually improve processes and **center youth voice**



Program Snapshot FY 2023*

- ♦ 4 Coaching Contractors
(Impact NW, IRCO, NAFY, POIC,)
- ♦ 85+ Community Partners and Programs
- ♦ 667 Youth Served with Multnomah County Funding
 - 348 Work Experience Placements
 - 319 Learn & Earn Placements
 - 86% Successful Completion Rate
- ♦ 35,827 Total Hours Worked
- ♦ \$537,412 Wages Earned

*Numbers reflected are through the end of March 2023

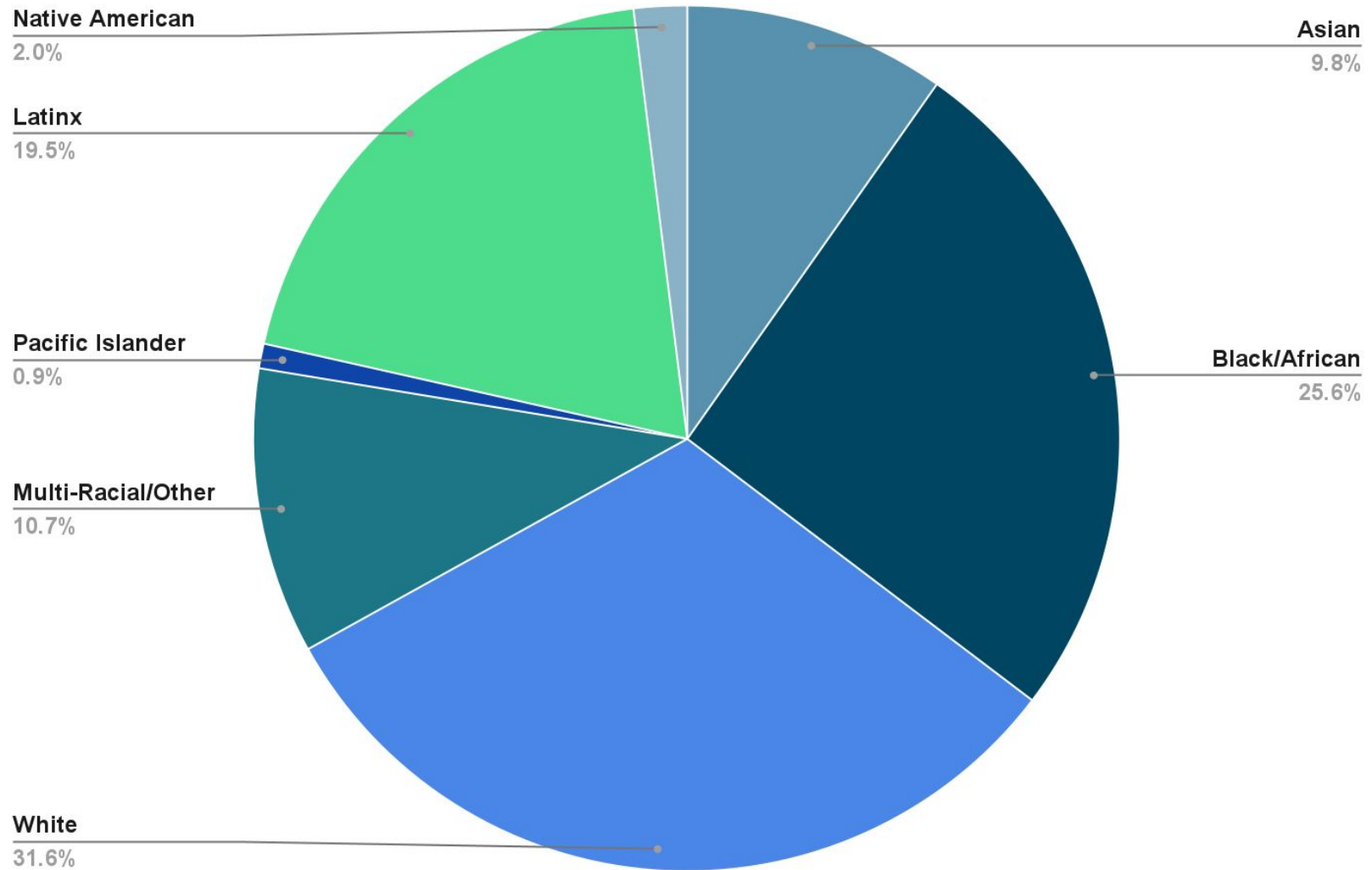


Priority Youth Characteristics

• English Language Learners	23
• Experiencing Housing Instability	47
• Foster Care	24
• Immigrant / Refugee Status	73
• LGBTQIA2S+	135
• Receive Public Assistance	226
• Pregnant or Parenting	26
• Youth with Disabilities	87
• Criminal Legal System Involvement	30



Participants by Race/Ethnicity



Year-Round Work Experience / Learn & Earn

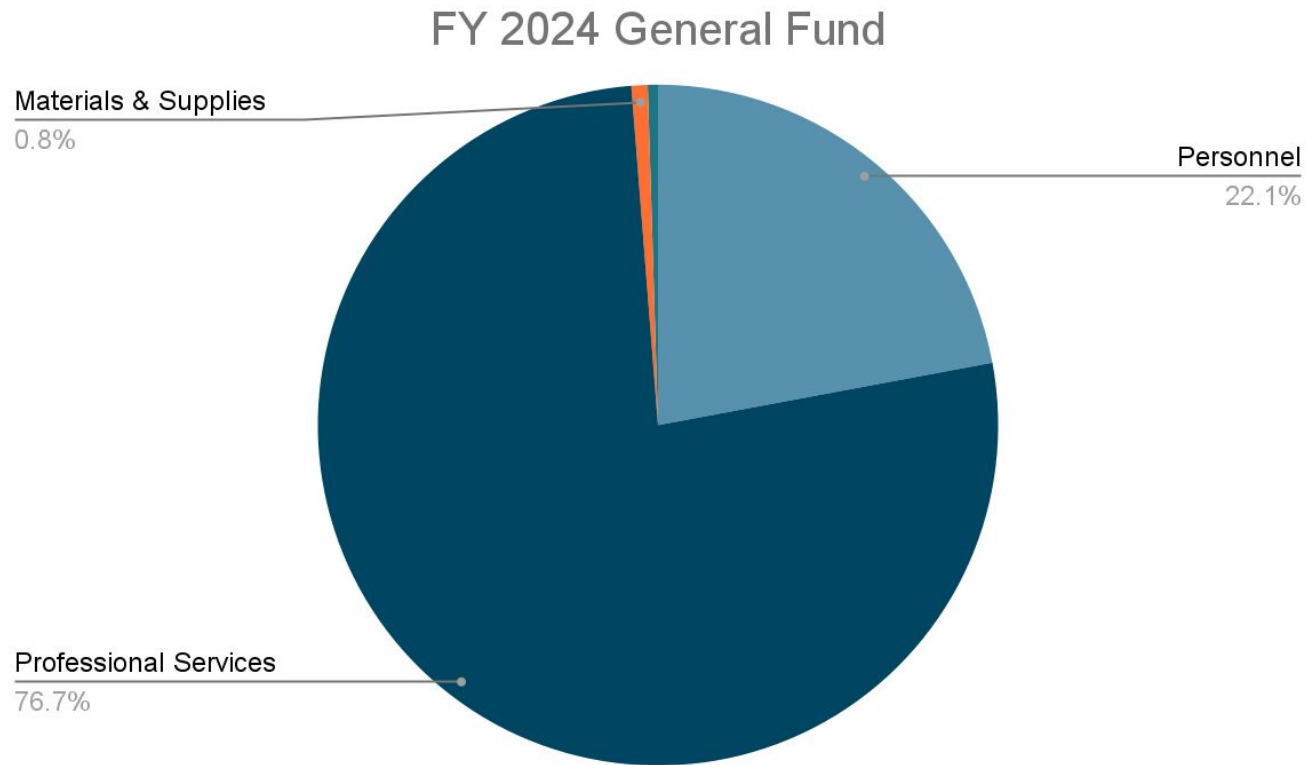


Youth Systems Building Academy

- Selected by the U.S. Department of Labor as one of nine communities to participate in the Youth Systems Building Academy
- In partnership with Worksystems Inc, POIC and Multnomah County's Juvenile Services Division.
- Focused on creating pathways for justice-involved youth to improve employment outcomes



FY 2024 Proposed Budget - \$817,540 & 1.00 FTE



- Personnel: \$180,394
- Professional Services: \$626,900
- Materials & Supplies: \$6,306
- Internal Services: \$3,940



State American Rescue Plan Funding Update

Program	FY 2023 Budget	FY 2024 Budget	Variance
10097: Youth Connect	\$1,000,000	\$600,000	(\$400,000)

PHASE 1: March 2022 – June 2023

- Planning, outreach and implementation with community partners to develop curriculum, identify eligible youth, and onboard work site supervisors.

PHASE 2: July 2022 – July 2023

- Support two community-based organizations with expertise in positive youth development to pilot core program functions, and serve a cohort of 80 youth in a variety of professional and educational settings including incentive-based interventions and year-round work experience.

PHASE 3: July 2023 – July 2024

- Expand community-based organizations to a total of five program providers and serve an additional 200 youth, while ushering the previous cohort into the larger youth workforce system



Violence Prevention Strategies & Programs

Incentive-based Interventions

- Gun Violence Impacted Families Behavioral Health
- Office of Violence Prevention
- Community Healing Initiative - POIC
- Helensview School

Community Building

- Harmonious Neighborhoods with Public Health
- Home Forward

School-based Mentorship

- Greater Than at Reynolds High School
- I Am Academy at Franklin High School



Questions

