

Your County, Your Services



Service Descriptions

Aging and Disability Services

Aging provides serves over 200,000 seniors and disabled people in Multnomah County. Services include case management, in-home care, senior housing assistance, protection from elder abuse, and assistance accessing public benefits.

Animal Services

Animal Services licenses pets, operates an animal shelter, responds to animal emergencies, and rescues injured, sick and abused animals. Animal Services received over 8,000 animals in its shelter in 2009.

Community Health Services

Community Health Services monitors and treats communicable diseases. Community Health also addresses chronic diseases and environmental health conditions in the community. Community Health provides services to over 90,000 individuals.

County Jails

The county jails screen arrestees, houses inmates before trial, and have custody of inmates after they are sentenced to jail. The jails provide medical and mental health services to inmates. The jails booked over 37,000 arrestees in 2009.

Developmental Disability Services

Developmental Disability Services serve over 4,200 residents with intellectual and physical disabilities, providing family support and help finding programming, housing and employment for clients.

District Attorney - Public Prosecutor

The District Attorney prosecutes misdemeanor and felony offenders for the county. The District Attorney's Office pursued 4,200 felony cases in 2009.

Domestic Violence Services

Domestic violence services include victim protection and assistance, legal advocacy, emergency shelter, and prosecution of offenders. In 2009 over 5,000 victims were assisted with domestic violence services.

Elections

Elections conducts all local, city, county, state and federal elections for all political districts within Multnomah County. In 2009 Elections counted 430,288 ballots.

Health Clinics

Health clinics provide access to primary health care for low-income and uninsured residents. County health clinics are located in the community and in schools and served over 60,000 people in 2009.

Service Descriptions, Continued

<u>Homeless Services</u>	These services to the homeless and those at risk of losing their housing include rent assistance, emergency shelter, temporary housing and assistance accessing public benefits. Over 80% of people who were formerly homeless retain housing 12 months after exiting the program.
<u>Juvenile and Gang Services</u>	These services include parole and probation for juveniles, as well as gang prevention and outreach to at-risk youth by community-based providers. Juvenile probation services monitored 500 youth in 2009.
<u>Libraries</u>	Libraries provide books, media, and cultural and educational programs to the community. Multnomah County's libraries have the highest circulation rates per person in the country.
<u>Mental Health Services</u>	Mental Health Services serves residents with mental illnesses and addictions. Services include counseling, school- and community-based services, medication, and residential treatment. In 2009 over 74,000 residents were provided with mental health insurance through Verity/OHP.
<u>Parole and Probation Services</u>	Parole and Probation Services supervises adult offenders after sentencing to probation or release from jail on parole. Approximately 8,600 probationers and post-prison offenders were supervised in 2009.
<u>Property Assessment and Taxation</u>	Property Assessment and Taxation covers assessment and collection of property taxes for local governments within Multnomah County. In 2009 the Tax Collector collected and distributed \$1.2 billion in property taxes for Multnomah County and other local governments.
<u>Roads and Bridges</u>	Roads and Bridges is responsible for building and maintaining 6 major Willamette River bridges as well as 580 miles of roads that are located primarily in unincorporated Multnomah County.
<u>Sheriff's Office Patrol</u>	The Sheriff's Office patrols unincorporated areas of Multnomah County, some east county cities, and the Willamette and Columbia rivers. Patrol deputies made approximately 3,000 arrests in 2009.
<u>SUN Schools and Early Childhood Services</u>	SUN Schools provides extra-curricular and enrichment activities at 58 local elementary, middle and high schools. Early Childhood Services provide health, nutrition services and parent education in homes and schools.