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County Distributes Another \$6 Million From New Income Tax to Schools, Services

Multnomah County distributed today another \$6 million in revenue from the temporary County income tax to public school districts and the public safety, healthcare and senior service programs supported by the voter-approved measure. That brings the total distributed to date to \$19 million.

Thursday's distribution reflects tax payments processed in January for the three-year income tax that was created by passage of Ballot Measure 26-48 last May. The County will continue to make monthly transfers of tax collections to school districts and service providers. The tax is expected to generate about \$128 million each year for the next three years. The 1.25 percent tax on the Oregon taxable income of Multnomah County residents after a deduction is due April 15 for the 2003 tax year.

Payments to the eight Multnomah County school districts, as well as Victory Middle School and Sauvie Island School, are based on the state's per-pupil funding formula. The following is a list of recipients of the County income tax and the amount of the February distribution, along with the total received to date.

Centennial School District, \$259,380 (\$821,370); **Corbett School District**, \$25,200 (\$79,800); **David Douglas School District**, \$384,600 (\$1.2 million); **Gresham Barlow School District**, \$435,420 (\$1.4 million); **Parkrose School District**, \$153,360 (\$485,640); **Portland Public School District**, \$2.1 million (\$6.6 million); **Reynolds School District**, \$433,020 (\$1.4 million); **Riverdale School District**, \$18,840 (\$59,560); **Victory Middle School**, \$4,800 (\$15,200); **Sauvie Island School**, \$3,300 (\$10,450).

In addition, Multnomah County transferred \$1.8 million to its public safety, senior services and other health and human services agencies that administer programs supported by the tax, bringing the total distributed to those programs to \$5.7 million. For more background, visit www.multcotax.org.

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