

## 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 most of SE Portland. 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 marginalized part of our region very seriously. The Commissioner's top priorities include finding solutions to the disparities and inequities affecting District 3, as well as low income and communities of color generally, such as: the lack of transportation options, including transit and sidewalks; accessible and affordable early childhood education; mitigating the impacts of climate change and pollution on front line communities; and affordable housing. To best work on these priorities, Commissioner Vega Pederson serves as the County's representative at various regional transportation tables, chair's the County's Preschool for All task force, and has championed the County's efforts to combat climate change and pollution.

The Commissioner represents the County on several transportation committees, including the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation. She also serves as the co-chair of the Metro Transportation Funding task force, which advises the Metro Council on a potential 2020 transportation bond measure. 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.

Knowing the importance of early learning, Commissioner Vega Pederson convened the County's Preschool For All task force, and continues to work with partners and advocates on expanding preschool access across Multnomah County for the thousands of children in our community who are not currently being served. The Commissioner also 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.

Lastly, Commissioner Vega Pederson is the County's liaison to the Advisory Committee on Sustainability and Innovation, which provides guidance to the County on sustainability and environmental issues affecting our community.

Performance Measures							
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budgeted	FY20 Estimate	FY21 Offer		
Output	State/Federal advocacy for transportation, homelessness, housing, and environmental protection.	8	8	16	8		
Outcome	Respond to all constituent emails, phone calls, and meeting requests in a timely manner.	100%	100%	100%	100%		
Outcome	Produce monthly constituent newsletters to update community on the Commissioner's work.	N/A	N/A	N/A	12		
Output	Community engagement and constituent outreach via neighborhood meetings and community events.	12	12	17	12		

1) Advocate for County priorities before State and Federal lawmakers. 2) Respond to constituents in a timely and accurate manner. 3) Speak with school boards, interest groups, community organizations and the general public about the results from the Preschool For All task force. 4) Attend community events in her district to inform policy and budgetary priorities.

## Legal / Contractual Obligation

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

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Requested General Fund	Requested Other Funds		
Program Expenses	2020	2020	2021	2021		
Personnel	\$583,485	\$0	\$613,686	\$0		
Contractual Services	\$3,620	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Materials & Supplies	\$25,970	\$0	\$25,983	\$0		
Internal Services	\$102,925	\$0	\$85,331	\$0		
Total GF/non-GF	\$716,000	\$0	\$725,000	\$0		
Program Total:	\$716,	\$716,000		\$725,000		
Program FTE	4.00	0.00	4.00	0.00		
Program Revenues						
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		

**Explanation of Revenues** 

This is a General Fund Program.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2020: 10003-20 BCC District 3