

Program #72004 - FRM General Ledger

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Department: County Management

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

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The General Ledger program manages central financial accounting and reporting, including the annual external financial audit, the comprehensive framework of internal controls, as well as general countywide accounting support and assistance.

Program Summary

The General Ledger (GL) program supports and monitors the County's financial accounting activity by performing corporate level accounting functions including account reconciliations, review/approval of accounting transactions and preparing required financial reports.

The primary product is the County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), which includes all activities associated with the required annual external financial audits. The CAFR earns the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) award annually for excellence in financial reporting. This award indicates management has prepared financials that meet the reporting standards and requirements noted by GFOA. Approximately 3% of governmental entities in the United States receive this award annually.

General Ledger prepares the financial reports for three component units of the County: Mid County Service District No. 14. Dunthorpe-Riverdale Service District No. 1 and the Multnomah County Library District. GL also maintains internal controls and the chart of accounts.

| Performance Measures | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|--|----------------|------------------|------------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| Measure Type | Primary Measure | FY19 Actual | FY20 Budgeted | FY20 Estimate | FY21 Offer | | | |
| Output | Number of properly stated balance sheet accounts per review of external auditors | 300 | 300 | 300 | 300 | | | |
| Outcome | Number of Comprehensive Annual Financial Report audit deficiency comments from external auditors | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Quality | Number of days Comprehensive Annual Financial Report is completed after fiscal year end | 180 | 173 | 200 | 180 | | | |

Performance Measures Descriptions

Fewer balance sheet accounts identified with misstatements indicate a high degree of accuracy in the financial statements (CAFR) and effective internal controls are in place (approx. 300 total accounts). External auditors express their opinion on the County's CAFR, including assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements. "0" means the auditors identified no deficiencies or weaknesses in internal controls. Financial reports should be issued soon enough after the close of a period to affect better decision making.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS), Ch. 297: Audits of Public Funds and Financial Records, requires governments to have an external audit and that it be submitted to the Secretary of State - Audits Division.

Revenue/Expense Detail

| | Adopted General Fund | Adopted Other Funds | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds |
|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Program Expenses | 2020 | 2020 | 2021 | 2021 |
| Personnel | \$991,517 | \$0 | \$1,052,798 | \$0 |
| Contractual Services | \$2,000 | \$0 | \$2,000 | \$0 |
| Materials & Supplies | \$11,900 | \$0 | \$11,900 | \$0 |
| Total GF/non-GF | \$1,005,417 | \$0 | \$1,066,698 | \$0 |
| Program Total: | \$1,005,417 | | \$1,066,698 | |
| Program FTE | 7.00 | 0.00 | 7.00 | 0.00 |

| Program Revenues | | | | | | | |
|------------------|----------|-----|----------|-----|--|--|--|
| Service Charges | \$20,000 | \$0 | \$20,000 | \$0 | | | |
| Total Revenue | \$20,000 | \$0 | \$20,000 | \$0 | | | |

Explanation of Revenues

This program is supported by General Fund revenues.

External revenue is received from the County's separately issued component unit financial reports: Mid County Service District, Dunthorpe-Riverdale Service District and the Library District. The revenues are a reimbursement for central accounting and reporting services provided to each component unit.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2020: 72004-20 FRM General Ledger