

Program #10012B - Emergency Management - Training Position

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Department:NondepartmentalProgram Contact:Chris VossProgram Offer Type:Innovative/New ProgramProgram Offer Stage:As Adopted

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Multnomah County Emergency Management (MCEM) provides planning, training and exercise support across county departments, and for our jurisdictions and community partners. As the number and intensity of hazard events increases, our community needs additional support from the county. The addition of 1.00 FTE allows MCEM to provide additional support to our most vulnerable communities through additional training and exercises and the expansion of the Emergency Management Visualization Tool (EMVT) (formerly known as DataMart).

Program Summary

A changing climate and growing community are altering the way hazard events impact Multnomah County. For this part of the country, climate models project an increase in hotter, drier summers with more high-heat days; an increase in drought and wildfire, and wildfire smoke; and more heavy rain events that can lead to an increase in landslides and flooding. As our population and built environment grow, we can expect greater exposure to these changing risks and their associated costs.

This new position will allow the county to focus on training (0.40 FTE), exercises (0.30 FTE) and EMVT coordination (0.30 FTE) to support many of the county's vulnerable communities that are disproportionately impacted in emergencies, and may bear the greater burden as our overall risk rises. Additional training and exercise capabilities would include: 2 additional joint exercises with county partners, including an annual East County fire response exercise, 3 additional workshops annually focusing on a different discipline and promoting county coordination, such as schools, healthcare facilities, utility partners, and shelters, 4 additional countywide training courses, and improved training course tacking.

The EMVT focus of this position is expansion and coordination of the EMVT developed by DCHS, to make it a more powerful enterprise-wide system. This tool allows the County to identify within minutes all DCHS clients and their proximity to each emergency. During the Eagle Creek Fire, the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was able to identify and then make contact with all DCHS clients with evacuation zones to ensure situational awareness, identify personal safety needs, and discuss protective actions and emergency resources using the EMVT. However, the current EMVT model provides only part of the picture. Many others in the County, who are not DCHS clients, also experience barriers to emergency services and are not captured in the EMVT, such as clients of the Health Department. The EMVT has potential to include data from these departments, making it a powerful life-safety decision-making tool during emergencies. Managing a tool that spans multiple departments stretches beyond DCHS scope, but fits well within the mission of the MCEM to provide emergency management services countywide and across all departments. This position will coordinate with DCHS, other departments, and other MCEM partners to build out this tool so it can provide a comprehensive picture of who and where the most vulnerable populations are located as well as each person's unique situation and potential life safety needs during emergencies.

Performar	Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budgeted	FY20 Estimate	FY21 Offer				
Output	Annual workshop performance objectives successfully completed.	N/A	N/A	N/A	100%				
Outcome									

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2020	2020	2021	2021
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$121,445	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$3,555	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$125,000	\$0
Program Total: \$0		\$125,000		
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00

Program Revenues					
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: