

Program #10008 - County Attorney's Office

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Nondepartmental **Department: Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program**

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Program Offer Stage: As Proposed

Executive Summary

The mission of the Office of County Attorney is to provide the highest quality and cost effective legal advice and representation. The Office reviews and advises on the legal aspects of County government operation, defends claims against the County and employees acting in their official capacity, and assists with Federal, State, and County legal requirements. The Office houses the County's Privacy Officer and related Privacy Program. The County Attorney collaborates with Risk Management, provides legal training and advice before legal issues become legal problems.

Program Summary

The Office of County Attorney prepares and reviews legal documents including contracts, Ordinances, Resolutions, Board Orders, Executive Rules, Administrative Procedures, and other legal instruments. It provides legal advice and counsel to the Board of County Commissioners, County elected officials, County Departments and Offices, Advisory Boards, Districts, and Commissions. The Office of County Attorney prepares formal written opinions as deemed necessary by the County Attorney regarding significant interpretations of federal and state laws, the County Charter and Code, and other legal requirements. The Office controls and supervises all civil actions and legal proceedings where the County is a party or has a legal interest. The Office represents and defends any legal action, matter, or proceedings in any court or tribunal and as requested by the Board.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer			
Output	County Attorney Direct Service Hours	23,443	24,500	23,000	24,500			
Outcome	Percentage of County Attorney Time Dedicated to Direct Client Services	95%	92%	93%	94%			
Input	Number of Tort Claims Received	174	120	113	155			

Performance Measures Descriptions

Legal / Contractual Obligation

The role and duties of the County Attorney are set forth in Multnomah County Code Chapter 25.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022	
Personnel	\$0	\$5,393,884	\$0	\$5,703,573	
Contractual Services	\$0	\$280,580	\$0	\$285,920	
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$245,931	\$0	\$241,503	
Internal Services	\$0	\$552,849	\$0	\$558,644	
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$6,473,244	\$0	\$6,789,640	
Program Total:	\$6,47	\$6,473,244		\$6,789,640	
Program FTE	0.00	26.00	0.00	26.00	

Program Revenues							
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$6,473,244	\$0	\$6,789,640			
Total Revenue	\$0	\$6,473,244	\$0	\$6,789,640			

Explanation of Revenues

Funding for the Office of County Attorney is generated through a portion of the liability insurance rate on County payroll expenses.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2021: 10008 County Attorney's Office

No significant changes.