

Program #80002 - North County Libraries

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

Related Programs: 80003, 80004

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

This program offer is for the libraries serving the northern area of Multnomah County: Albina, Gregory Heights, Hollywood, Kenton, North Portland and St. Johns libraries. Residents visited these libraries 680,000 times last year and benefited from diverse learning, cultural, and recreational opportunities. These libraries serve a large number of African American and Spanish-speaking library users with culturally relevant services.

Program Summary

North County libraries are community hubs where people attend classes, programs, and community forums that provide opportunities for neighbors to interact. These libraries provide access seven days per week to 303,000 books and other items at these libraries, including Spanish language materials and a growing Black Pacific Northwest Collection that currently features 290 titles.

Library users develop critical life skills through job training resources, book groups, civic engagement opportunities, and other programs. North County libraries' language learning and educational programs improve employment opportunities and quality of life for those with low English proficiency and limited resources. To support critical life skill development and digital literacy, North County libraries' staff conducted about 1,000 individualized library service appointments, a service with a 100% satisfaction rating.

North County Libraries will continue to evaluate staffing to ensure that staff members have the language and cultural skills to serve the communities surrounding these libraries by aligning staff with current demographic community information.

Performance Measures									
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer				
Output	Number of library visits	679,995	N/A	148,061	474,000				
Outcome	Percentage of patrons who found books and items they wanted	93%	N/A	90%	90%				

Performance Measures Descriptions

North County Libraries program offer is reconfigured for FY 2022 to include six libraries. Library visits for FY 2021 reflect curbside appointment estimates.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

The budget reflects the passage of Measure 26-143: "Form Library District with permanent rate to fund library services," November 2012 General Election. The district summary states in pertinent part: "If approved, the Multnomah County Library District would be formed with a permanent rate dedicated to library services, operations, books, materials, programs, activities and oversight of the district. Formation of a District would ... prevent reductions in services, programs and activities, and hours."

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Personnel	\$0	\$8,327,307	\$0	\$8,443,580
Contractual Services	\$0	\$6,500	\$0	\$6,700
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$113,093	\$0	\$108,556
Internal Services	\$0	\$1,432,491	\$0	\$1,348,368
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$9,879,391	\$0	\$9,907,204
Program Total:	\$9,87	9,391	\$9,907,204	
Program FTE	0.00	81.25	0.00	80.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$271,040 in indirect revenues.

The revenue allocated to this program offer reflects an intergovernmental service reimbursement from the Library District (99.96%) and resources from the County's Library Fund (0.04%). It represents a pro-rated share of property taxes (98.03%) and other revenues such as overdue fines, interest earnings, grants, and user charges for services provided to library patrons (1.97%).

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2021: 80002 North County Libraries

This program was realigned to include Albina, Gregory Heights and Hollywood libraries. Northwest Library is no longer part of this program offer. Please see the department budget narrative for more information on position changes.