

**CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Policy Session Worksheet**

**Presentation Date:** 10/10/17      **Approx Start Time:** 2:30pm      **Approx Length:** 30 min

**Presentation Title:** 2017 Small Grants Recommendation

**Department:** County Administration

**Presenters:** Caroline Hill

**WHAT ACTION ARE YOU REQUESTING FROM THE BOARD?**

Staff requests approval of the 2017 Small Grants Recommendation

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The Clackamas County Board of Commissioners approved \$250,000 in the 2017/18 FY budget to fund the 2017 Small Grants Program. This is the ninth year of the program. The goal is to support agencies that are making an effort to develop and implement innovative projects that would help most vulnerable families, seniors, and others meet their basic needs such as food assistance and abuse prevention. Preference is given to those who meet the following criteria:

- Prevent occurrence of larger, more dire problems later;
- Save money later through early intervention;
- Serve people throughout the community.

For the 2017 cycle, Administration staff, along with Public and Government Affairs and Technology Services worked diligently to increase awareness and ease of use of our website and application process. We continued to use the online application which has demonstrated to be an effective and easy way for organizations to turn in their applications.

We received 71 applications for a total request of \$730,830.69. This is an increase in both applications and total amount requested. Last year there were 69 applications which totaled \$711,084.60. A committee was formed to review the applications as well as past small grant awards and current funding from other County departments to determine the attached recommendations (attachment 1). The committee included Caroline Hill, Small Grants Coordinator; Kimberlee DeSantis, Commissioner Policy Advisor; Rachel Pearl, Juvenile Department and Jamie Zentner, Health Housing and Human Services.

Information was distributed to committee members in August for review prior to two subsequent meetings on September 18 and October 4. Our focus was to ensure that the monies were dispersed as evenly as possible throughout the County and to impact diverse groups.

Today we are seeking approval of the recommendation (see attachment 1) from the Board so that we can process awards.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (current year and ongoing):**

Is this item in your current budget?     YES       NO

What is the cost? \$250,000

What is the funding source? General Fund

**STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:**

- How does this item align with your Department’s Strategic Business Plan goals?  
N/A
- How does this item align with the County’s Performance Clackamas goals?

To ensure safe, healthy and secure communities.

**LEGAL/POLICY REQUIREMENTS:**

N/A

**PUBLIC/GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPATION:**

The 2017 Small Grants Program was opened to the public on July 5, 2017 and remained open until August 22, 2017. During that time:

- A press release to media and interested parties went out inviting organizations to apply.
- An email announcement was sent out to all past applicants.
- The Board announced the program during several Business Meetings.
- The Small Grants webpage was updated and the online application process was streamlined to ensure applications were received and acknowledged in a timely manner.
- Social Media was used to frequently promote the grants program.

**OPTIONS:**

1. Approve recommendations as presented by staff.
2. Approve amended recommendation following Board direction.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff respectfully requests Board approval on the recommendations for the 2017 Small Grants program.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 2017 Small Grants Recommendations
- 2017 List of Applications Not Recommended for Funding

**SUBMITTED BY:**

Division Director/Head Approval \_\_\_\_\_

Department Director/Head Approval \_\_\_\_\_

County Administrator Approval \_\_\_\_\_

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2017 Small Grants Recommendations

Organization	Project	Amount Requested	Award	Explanation of Program	Service Area	If so, how much?
1st Evangelical Presbyterian Church (Request 1)	Medical Teams International Mobile Dental Clinics	1,600.00	1,600.00	Funds to host 4 urgent care dental clinics.	Countywide	2016 - 2,000 2015 - 2,000 2013 - 2,000
A Village for One	Basic Needs First	7,500.00	5,000.00	Funds to allow youth (victims of sex abuse or at risk to become) to meet their basic needs such as food to avoid sexual exploitation.	Countywide	
American Military Encouragement Network	Support for Unemployed and Struggling Military Families	15,000.00	5,000.00	Funds to purchase food for monthly food boxes for military families.	Countywide	2015 - 7,500
Angels in the Outfield, The	Homeless Prevention for Families Transitioning from Abusive Situations	21,000.00	10,000.00	Funds to prevent homelessness for individuals transitioning out of abusive situations. The amount per person is not to exceed \$750. Higher than in the past due to higher rent costs.	Countywide	2016 - 7,000
Autistic Community Activity Program, Inc.	ACAP Direct Services	6,985.00	6,500.00	Funds for activities for children and adults with Autism.	Countywide	
Canby Center, The	The Canby Center Kitchen Remodel	5,000.00	2,500.00	Renovation of the community center, specifically lighting.	Canby	2016 - 5,000
Candlelighters for Children with Cancer	Candlelighters Emergency Financial Assistance Program	10,000.00	5,000.00	Emergency financial assistance for families with children with cancer - rent, gas, utilities.	Countywide	2016 - 7,500
CASA of Clackamas County	Training CASA to Serve Foster Children	7,500.00	5,000.00	Funding to recruit, train and support CASA volunteers.	Countywide	2016 - 6,000 2013 - 5,918
Central City Concern	Basic Needs for Families in Recovery	15,000.00	5,000.00	Funds for basic needs for families from Towncenter Courtyards to establish a home.	Countywide	

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Children's Center	Delivery of Spanish-Language Child Abuse Prevention Training	6,500.00	3,000.00	Training of 12 Stewards of Children, 4 of them bilingual in Spanish.	Countywide	2015 - 2,500
Children's Course, The	THRIVE Mentoring Program at the Children's Course	5,000.00	5,000.00	One on one mentorship for 10 Latino youth.	Gladstone	2016 - 3,000
Clackamas County Council of PTA's Clothes Closet	PTA Clothes Closet	2,500.00	2,500.00	Purchase of washing machine, supplies to wash gently used clothes in addition to purchase socks and underwear for children.	Countywide	
Clackamas Fire	Multi Agency Homeless Outreach Program	15,000.00	10,000.00	Funds to assist the Community Paramedic reach out to homeless community and assist them in establishing a path toward being housed.	Countywide	2016 - 12,748
Clackamas Service Center	Improving Client Services with a Shopping-Style Food Pantry	14,960.00	14,960.00	Funds to transform their food pantry into a shopping-style pantry.	Countywide	2016 - 10,000 2014 - 15,000 2013 - 10,377
Clackamas Volunteers in Medicine	CVIM's Eye Care Services	12,000.00	7,360.00	Purchase of equipment, instruments and supplies to provide eye care services to provide diabetic retinal exams, vision care and eyeglasses for low-income, uninsured and underinsured.	Countywide	2016 - 7,000 2015 - 13,000
Colton Helping Hands, Inc.	Supplemental Food Program	5,000.00	5,000.00	Purchase of food to supplement their pantry	Colton and rural	2016 - 5,000
Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon	Metro HomeShare	25,000.00	15,000.00	Funds to establish a program to match people who need assistance paying for home or need help at the home with people who are searching for long term affordable housing.	Countywide	

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Edwards Center, Inc.	ECM Renovation	9,000.00	9,000.00	Renovation of space to accommodate a nurse's station and upgrade to restrooms o make them ADA compliant for an organization that serves developmentally challenged and seniors individuals.	Milwaukie	
Exceed Enterprises, Inc.	Wide-Area Transformation Project	15,000.00	7,500.00	Purchase and upgrade of technology to streamline processes and services.	Countywide	2012 - 9,358
Father's Heart Street Ministry, The	Extended Shower Program	10,510.00	5,000.00	Expansion of program to provide an additional day of showers and services. Funds will provide an additional 1,856 showers including toiletries and new underwear.	Oregon City	2014 - 2,000 2013 - 2,000
Fill a Stocking, Fill a Heart Inc.	Fill a Stocking, Fill a Heart	3,000.00	3,000.00	Funds to purchase supplies for their stockings.	Countywide	2016 - 2,500 2015 - 2,500 2014 - 2,200
Foothills-Molalla Adult Community Center	Aiding the Isolated	4,000.00	4,000.00	Expansion of program to provide contact with Meals on Wheels program.	Molalla, Mulino and Colton	2015 - 2,250 2013 - 3,000
Friends of Estacada Community Center	Retrofit Community Center Doors	11,000.00	5,000.00	Retrofit 2 entry ways and restroom doors to be ADA compliant.	Estacada	2016 - 4,000 2015 - 5,000 2014 - 2,000 2013 - 3,000
Gladstone Food Pantry	Gladstone Food Pantry Flex fund	3,000.00	3,000.00	Flex funds for incidentals such as emergency repairs, purchase of food not provided by the Oregon Food Bank.	Gladstone	
Gladstone Senior Center	Gladstone Senior Center Wheelchair Accessible Community Garden	22,000.00	11,000.00	Cost of construction of ADA accessible community garden.	Gladstone	2014 - 4,000
Gleaners of Clackamas County	Commercial Stove Acquisition	5,000.00	2,000.00	Funds to replace commercial stove.	Oregon City	2016 - 7,500

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Good Roots Community Garden and Food Bank	Good Roots Food Bank and Garden Support	7,000.00	3,500.00	Purchase of fridge and freezer, food, supplies for community garden and repair of pantry floor.	North Clackamas	2016 - 3,200 2014 - 7,000 2013 - 5,000
Growing Gardens	Programa de Huertos (Home Gardens Program) - Milwaukie	8,800.00	4,000.00	Program to provide 30 Latino families with lessons and supplies to start and maintain a home garden.	Milwaukie	
Lake Oswego Transitional Shelter Ministry	Shelter Improvements	3,600.00	3,600.00	Repair of exterior doors, purchase of trundle bed and mattress and baseboards.	Countywide	2014 - 5,000
Life Christian Center	LCC Food Pantry	10,000.00	5,000.00	Funds to purchase additional food for pantry and toiletries.	North Clackamas	
Lions Foundation of West Linn	Shoes and Socks for Kids	2,000.00	2,000.00	Funds to purchase shoes and socks for low income school children.	West Linn	2015 - 850
Love INC of Clackamas County	Non Food Pantry/Cleaning and Personal Hygiene Expansion	6,600.00	3,000.00	Expansion of pantry services to provide cleaning and personal hygiene products for families using their services.	Milwaukie and Oregon City	2013 and 2012
Neighborhood Economic Development Corporation (NEDCO)	Financial Empowerment Program Expansion for Survivors of Intimate Partner Violence	10,000.00	10,000.00	Expansion of financial empowerment program for victims of domestic abuse to help them become self sufficient.	Countywide	2016 - 7,500
New Hope Community Church (Request 2)	Green Stewards and Community Outreach	12,500.00	10,000.00	Funds to train and pay minimum wage to 40 at-risk youth and homeless and purchase of supplies. These clients would then receive help in obtaining permanent work.	Countywide	2015 - 3,000
Northwest Family Services	Emergency Assistance	10,000.00	5,000.00	Funds to provide emergency assistance such as utilities and rent to families. Assistance would be a one time per family, not to exceed \$400.	Countywide	2016 - 7,500 2015 - 7,500 2013 - 8,800 2012 - 8,000 2011 - 8,457 2009 - 6,000

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Northwest Housing Alternatives	Northwest Housing Alternatives Client Assistance Program	11,000.00	5,000.00	Emergency financial assistance for families to avoid destabilization of housing.	Countywide	2011 - 15,000 2009 - 15,000
Oak Hills Presbyterian Church	Backpack Buddies 2017 for Lot Whitcomb & View Acres Elementary Schools	3,000.00	3,000.00	Purchase of food for children to have over the weekend.	North Clackamas	2016 - 3,000
Oregon City Chamber of Commerce	IceHouse Entrepreneurial Mindset Program	7,980.00	7,980.00	Cost for materials to run entrepreneurial courses for 40 vulnerable people.	Countywide	
Rivers of Life	Employing At-risk Youth & Homeless to Rehabilitate Clackamette Cove Wildlands	11,500.00	6,000.00	Funds to run a program for 30 at-risk youth and homeless to learn job skills while rehabilitating Clackamas Cove Wildlands. Each participant would receive \$200 and the learned skills. The rest of the funds would cover the cost of professionals helping with the program.	Gladstone, Oak Grove, Oregon City, Beavercreek and Canby	2015 - 5,000
Sandy Community Action Center	Food Delivery Revitalization	4,920.00	3,000.00	Replacement of worn out equipment to allow them to continue their operations.	Sandy	2015 - 3,000
St Philip Benizi (Request 1)	Helping Hands	3,000.00	3,000.00	Funds to increase food pantry inventory.	Oregon City	
St. Aloysius St Vincent de Paul Estacada	Brown Bagg	10,000.00	4,000.00	Funds to purchase personal hygiene products not covered with food stamps as well as tarps and sleeping bags for homeless.	Estacada	2016 - 4,000
Turning Point Church	Turning Point Church Community Pantry	2,326.69	2,000.00	Funds to purchase tools to continue to run the community pantry.	North Clackamas	2013 - 8,250
Two Rivers Church	Two Rivers Hope Now 4 Life	9,000.00	4,500.00	Individualized assistance to those who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless to come up with a plan to stabilize.	Countywide	2016 - 7,000 2015 - 5,000 2013 - 8,000

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West Linn Food Pantry Org	West Linn Food Pantry	2,500.00	2,500.00	Purchase of food to supplement their pantry	West Linn and Lake Oswego	2016 - 2,500 2015 - 3,000
Wilsonville Community Sharing/Food Bank	Utility/food Relief	10,000.00	5,000.00	Funds to be used to provide food/utility assistance.	Wilsonville	2015 - 4,500
		403,781.69	250,000.00			



2017 Applications Not Recommended for Funding

Organization	Project	Amount Requested	Explanation of Program	Service Area	If so, how much?
1st Evangelical Presbyterian Church (Request 2)	Helping Other People Eat (H.O.P.E.)	4,800.00	Cost to remodel space to store food.	Countywide	2016 - 2,000 2015 - 2,000 2013 - 2,000
AntFarm, Inc.	Connecting Community into Sandy's Food System	10,000.00	Funds to hire a Healthy and Sustainable Food Coordinator to connect the various food opportunities in Sandy with the community.	Sandy	2016 - 10,000 2014 - 10,000 2012 - 10,000 2011 - 8,000 2010 - 7,000 2009 - 8,000
Boys & Girls Club of Portland Metro	Oak Grove Club Vulnerable Youth & Family Services Program	15,918.00	Expansion of program to target 100 low to moderate income youth ages 6-13 and their families.	North Clackamas	
Bridges to Change	Bridges to Change Substance Use Treatment Addition	6,000.00	Purchase of furniture for their new location.	Countywide	
Catholic Charities	Support of a Resident Self-Management Guide	20,000.00	One time expense to establish the resident self-management guide for Veteran's Village.	Countywide	
Clackamas County Children's Commission	Early Childhood Homeless Prevention	38,675.00	Homelessness prevention for families with children ages 0-5. Funds would go to cover emergency costs directly: rental application fees, first month's deposit, emergency rental assistance, short term motel	Countywide	2016 - 8,000 2015 - 12,000 2014 - 8,000 2013 - 15,850 2012 - 8,000 2011 - 20,000
Community Warehouse	Furniture Bank Service Expansion	10,000.00	Cost of wages of Client Services Coordinator to expand services and outreach. To provide essential furnishings for people.	Countywide	

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Educating for Peace the Wholistic Peace Institute	Finding a Peaceful Home Based on Nobel Peace Laureate Values	13,923.00	Weekly check ins for at-risk/homeless youth attending school to prepare them for the future.	Canby	2016 - 6,000
Grace Church, Molalla	Grace Church Community Center Roof	35,899.00	Replacement of 1 roof on auxiliary community center. This is used by the community as well as Disaster Management.	Molalla	
Marylhurst University	Creative Arts Day Camp 2018	6,000.00	Funds to supplement camp for children with disabilities.	Countywide	
Metropolitan Family Service	MFS North Clackamas Community Tax Site	8,000.00	Tax preparation assistance for low income families.	North Clackamas	2011 - 7,822
Molalla Service Center	Meeting Current Needs/Preparing for the Future	38,686.00	Cost of maintenance and improvement to center.	South Clackamas	
Neighbors Community Acupuncture	Neighbors Community Acupuncture	21,430.00	Funds to open clinic and to run it for 6 months. They will provide low cost health care to Clackamas Co. residents.	Countywide	
New Hope Community Church (Request 1)	Stop the Eviction	6,000.00	Funds to provide rent assistance to people who are at risk of eviction.	Countywide	2015 - 3,000
Pregnancy Care Centers	Infant Feeding and Care	3,000.00	Funds to purchase formula, diapers and wipes.	Canby and Molalla	
Providence Milwaukie Foundation	Community Teaching Kitchen Services Expansion Project	7,500.00	Funds to cover portion of the Patient Navigator's salary to accommodate the expansion of the program.	Countywide	
Red Lodge Transition Services	Red Lodge Transportation Project	10,000.00	Funds to purchase a used 8-10 passenger van to transport Red Lodge program native American women released from jail (participants).	Countywide	
ReFIT, Remodeling for Independence Together	Project Independence	10,000.00	Funds to provide essential in home modifications for low income disabled residents.	Countywide	2016 - 8,000 2014 - 8,000 2013 - 8,000

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Senior Citizens Council of Clackamas County	Expansion of Services for Senior Citizens	10,000.00	Funds to expand their Representative Payee program to allow them to extend services to seniors on wait list.	Countywide	2013 - 4,215
St. Philip Benizi (Request 2)	Feed the Homeless	5,000.00	Funds to purchase food and water to assist in the increase demand due to CSC's incident.	Countywide	
Tools4Troops PBC	Capital Purchases	4,978.00	Purchase of office equipment and tool refurbishment tools.	Countywide	2015 - 5,000
Two Rivers Homeowners Cooperative	Community Center Remodel for Increased Disabled Accessibility	6,450.00	Cost to make entrances and exits more accessible.	Gladstone	
VFW Post 12140	Homeless Veterans Survival Bags Project	15,000.00	Funds to purchase supplies for survival bags to provide life essential equipment during severe weather.	Countywide	2016 - 8,000 2015 - 15,000 2014 - 7,500
VFW Post 1324	VFW Post 1324 Infrastructure	8,790.00	Purchase and installation of water heater and air conditioning unit.	Oregon City	2016 - 7,000
Youth Villages Oregon	YVL LifeSet: Get Ready. Get Set. For Life.	11,000.00	Funds to cover salary of staff member to work with 2 youth in CC transitioning out of state custody to help them become productive adults.	Lake Oswego	
		327,049.00			