

Ballot Measure # 26-197

Notice of Measure Election

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Notice		
Date of Notice 2/22/18	Name of City or Cities City of Portland	Date of Election 5/15/18
Final Ballot Title The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the city's voters. The ballot title notice has been published and the ballot title challenge process has been completed.		
Caption 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure. See attached		
Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure. See attached		
Summary 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect. See attached		
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Explanatory Statement 500 words that impartially explains the measure and its effect.		
If the county is producing a voters' pamphlet an explanatory statement must be drafted and attached to this form for: → any measure referred by the city governing body; or → any initiative or referendum, if required by local ordinance.		
		Explanatory Statement Attached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Authorized City Official Not required to be notarized.		
Name Deborah Scroggin	Title City Elections Officer	
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By signing this document: → I hereby state that I am authorized by the city to submit this Notice of Measure Election; and → I certify that notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process for this measure completed.		

Signature: 

Date Signed: 2/22/18

Exhibit B
BALLOT LANGUAGE FOR THE PORTLAND CHILDREN'S LEVY

CAPTION

Renew Portland Children's Levy for five years.

QUESTION

Shall Portland continue early childhood, child abuse programs; five-year levy \$0.4026 per \$1,000 assessed value beginning 2019?

This measure renews current local option taxes.

SUMMARY

Renews the Portland Children's Levy at current rate; supports proven programs preventing childhood hunger, preventing child abuse and neglect, helping children arrive at school ready to learn, providing safe constructive after-school alternatives for kids, and helping foster children succeed.

Funds can only be used for:

Preventing childhood hunger: giving hungry children healthy, nutritious meals and food.

Child abuse prevention and intervention: addressing juvenile crime, school failure, drug and alcohol abuse, homeless youth.

Early childhood programs: making childcare more affordable and preparing children for success in school.

After school, summer and mentoring programs: promoting academic achievement, reducing the number of juveniles victimized by crime, increasing graduation rates.

Children in foster care programs: helping foster children who have been abused and neglected succeed.

Accountability measures include:

- Investments subject to annual audits.
- Programs funded must be cost effective and have a proven record of success.
- Investments subject to oversight by a citizen committee.
- Administrative costs cannot exceed 5%.

It is estimated the levy will raise an average of \$23.68 million per year for five years.

Measure Explanatory Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet

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Filing Information

Election: Primary 2018 General 20____ Special _____ Measure # 26 - 197

Ballot Title Caption

Renew Portland Children's Levy for five years.

Name of Person responsible for content of 'Explanatory Statement' (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

Commissioner Dan Saltzman

Name of Jurisdiction/Organization Person is authorized to represent (as it should appear in the Voters' Pamphlet):

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Signature of person responsible for content of 'Explanatory Statement'

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MEASURE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

See attached for 'Measure Explanatory Statement' (500 word/number MAX).

For Office Use only:

County: Multnomah

Signed? Yes No

'Measure Explanatory Statement' attached?

Yes No

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EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Measure 26-197 will renew the Portland Children's Levy at the same tax rate that voters approved in 2002, 2008 and 2013. By renewing the Children's Levy, Portland will continue to fund programs to help kids succeed, protecting them from abuse, crime and hunger. The Portland Children's Levy supports proven programs for more than 15,000 children annually who might otherwise grow up without a healthy start and the positive influences that lead to success in school and beyond.

The Portland Children's Levy invests only in proven, cost-effective programs that:

- Ensure children are ready to learn and achieve greater academic success, which eases burdens on schools and teachers because children are better prepared and less disruptive in the classroom.
- Prevent children from becoming victims of crime by supporting programs that give kids safe, constructive things to do during the hours they are most at risk of getting into trouble or becoming victimized.
- Protect children from child abuse and neglect. The Children's Levy helps shield children from terrible circumstances and works to eliminate the two greatest risk factors for juvenile crime: drug and alcohol abuse, and homelessness.
- Provide foster children with quality services that improve their chance at success, including educational support, mentoring and mental health services that increase school success and decrease rates of juvenile crime.

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Money raised through the Portland Children's Levy can only be used in program areas that deliver the greatest payoff by improving children's lives and providing long-term savings to the community. Leading economic experts agree that early childhood education has the highest return of any public investment, as much as \$17 is saved for every dollar spent. Because the average cost to jail a juvenile offender is \$79,000 annually, the Children's Levy is a prudent investment in our shared future.

The Portland Children's Levy supports the following program areas:

- Child abuse prevention and intervention: addressing juvenile crime, school failure, drug and alcohol abuse and homeless youth.
- Early childhood programs: preparing children for success in school and making quality childcare more affordable.
- After school, summer and mentoring programs: promoting academic achievement, reducing the number of juveniles victimized by crime and increasing graduation rates.
- Children in foster care programs: helping foster children succeed who have been abused and neglected.
- Child hunger: improving children's access to nutritious meals, leading to improved health and academic success.

The Portland Children's Levy contains several elements to ensure accountability, efficiency and effectiveness:

- Supports only proven, cost-effective programs
- Oversight by a citizen committee
- Administrative expenses limited to 5% or less
- Annual independent audits

Submitted by: Portland City Council