

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Policy Session Worksheet

Presentation Date: 10/1/19 **Approx Start Time:** 1:45pm **Approx Length:** 30 min

Presentation Title: 2019 Small Grants Recommendation

Department: County Administration

Presenter: Caroline Hill

WHAT ACTION ARE YOU REQUESTING FROM THE BOARD?

Staff requests approval of the 2019 Small Grants Recommendations.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Clackamas County Board of Commissioners approved \$250,000 in the 2019/20 FY budget to fund the 2019 Small Grants Program, a decrease of \$50,000 from the previous year. This is the 11th year of the program. The goal is to support agencies that are making an effort to develop and implement innovative projects that would help the County's most vulnerable families, seniors, and others meet their basic needs such as food assistance and abuse prevention. This year's priority was given to those projects servicing the Community Prosperity Collaborative areas and preference was 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 2019 cycle, Administration staff, along with Public and Government Affairs (PGA) 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, although we also provided an application in Word format for those organizations that do not have the technology to submit it online.

We received 95 applications for a total request of \$949,951.44. This is a decrease in both applications and total amount requested. Last year there were 111 applications which totaled \$1,140,834.50. Of the 95 applications, 30 were new applicants, equaling 32% new applicants as compared to last year's 43%. A variety of factors could be attributed to the decrease in both number of applications and number of new applicants but nothing concrete was identified at this time.

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; Tracy Moreland, Commission Policy Advisor; Chris Storey, Water Environment Services Assistant Director; and Rick Gruen, County Parks and Forest Manager.

Information was distributed to committee members in August for review prior to two subsequent meetings on September 16 and September 19. Each application was reviewed and the focus was to make the Community Prosperity Collaborative areas a priority, as advertised, while at the same time ensuring that the monies were dispersed throughout the County and to impact diverse groups.

Today staff is seeking approval from the Board of the recommendations in attachment 1.

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 by partnering, through grants, with nonprofits working in Clackamas County to serve the most vulnerable populations to ensure food availability, eviction/houselessness prevention, as well as providing services for at-risk youth and vulnerable seniors and veterans.

LEGAL/POLICY REQUIREMENTS:

N/A

PUBLIC/GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPATION:

The 2019 Small Grants Program was opened to the public on July 1, 2019 and remained open until August 15, 2019. 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 recommendations following Board direction.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully requests Board approval of option 1.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 2019 Small Grants Recommendations
- 2019 List of Applications Not Recommended for Funding

SUBMITTED BY:

Division Director/Head Approval _____
Department Director/Head Approval _____
County Administrator Approval _____

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2019 Small Grants Recommendations

Organization	Project	Amount Requested	Amount Recommended	Explanation of Program	Service Area
Albertina Kerr Centers Foundation	Lift Equipment for the Safety of Vulnerable Adults with Disabilities	5,900.00	\$5,900.00	Purchase of a lift for residents with intellectual and developmental disabilities.	County-wide
American Legion Post 180	American Legion Post 180 Veterans Assistance Fund	5,000.00	\$5,000.00	Funds to increase the Post's ability to provide eviction prevention assistance, motel vouchers, moving expenses.	Milwaukie, Estacada and Oregon City
American Military Encouragement Network	Support Military Community in Clackamas County	15,000.00	\$10,000.00	Funds to supplement the services they provide veterans. Food and basic needs.	County-wide
Angels in the Outfield, The	The Angels in the Outfield	15,000.00	\$10,000.00	Rental assistance for families transitioning out of abusive situations.	County-wide
AntFarm	CommunityConnect Supports Estacada Senior Citizens and High Risk Youth	10,000.00	\$10,000.00	Funds to establish CommunityConnect in Estacada. This program connects at-risk youth with vulnerable seniors.	Estacada
Aurora Transitional Shelter Ministry	Aurora Transitional Shelter Ministry, Homeless Support and Facility Improvements	8,000.00	\$8,000.00	Funds to refinish the basement cement at their shelter.	County-wide
Canby Center, The	Safe & Secure Workspace a the Canby Center	12,114.00	\$12,114.00	Installation of doors to increase security and temperature/pest control.	Canby
CASA of Clackamas County	A CASA for Every Child	10,000.00	\$7,500.00	Cost to recruit, train and support CASA volunteers.	County-wide
Christ the Vine Lutheran Church	Christ the Vine - Damascus Food Pantry	8,000.00	\$3,689.00	Funds to purchase food and personal care items for the pantry, backpack buddies and Father's Heart.	County-wide
Clackamas Community College	Clackamas Community College Food Pantry	5,000.00	\$5,000.00	Purchase of refrigerator/freezer to expand services to Harmony Campus.	County-wide

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Clackamas Fire District #1	Community Paramedic - Supporting a Healthy Clackamas County	10,000.00	\$5,000.00	Funds to provide basic needs to people in the community.	County-wide
Clackamas Service Center	Refrigerated Truck to Optimize Food Recovery and Donation Logistics	15,000.00	\$15,000.00	Funding for the purchase of a refrigerated truck.	County-wide
Clackamas Women's Services	Safety and Security for the Village Emergency Shelter	9,627.00	\$9,627.00	Installation of fire alarms and 2 security key pads as well as repairs to the heating and cooling system.	County-wide
Colton Helping Hands, Inc	Supplemental Food Program	5,000.00	\$3,000.00	Funds to purchase food to supplement their pantry.	Colton
Estacada Area Food Bank	Increase Food Access in Estacada Area	6,000.00	\$3,975.60	Purchase of food to cover the increase visits and due to removal of limits.	Estacada
Evangelical Ministerial Association of Greater Estacada	Estacada Homeless Residents and Backpack Buddies	11,200.00	\$11,200.00	Expansion of backpack buddies program to the HS. Showers and laundry facilities for families car camping at the church.	Estacada
Exceed Enterprises, Inc	Capacity Expansion: Community Integration and Employment	10,000.00	\$10,000.00	Funds to go toward purchase of a van.	Milwaukie, Oregon City and Gladstone
Father's Heart Ministry, The	Current and Extended Shower Program	16,235.00	\$15,000.00	Funds to cover the current shower program and increase it by 9.5 hours per week.	County-wide

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Foothills Church - Resource Center	Cool Down Molalla	13,000.00	\$13,000.00	Purchase and installation of walk-in cooler for food bank.	Molalla
Good Roots Community Garden	Refrigerator/Freezer Replacement	3,210.00	\$3,210.00	Replacement of 1 refrigerator and 4 freezers.	Oak Grove
HOPE Pantry, UMC	Hope Pantry, UMC Oregon City	2,000.00	\$2,000.00	Funds to purchase protein to supplement their 5 pantries.	Oregon City
King's Cupboard	Fresh Produce for Hungry Families	7,000.00	\$3,975.70	Funds to purchase fresh produce and other perishables to supplement their pantry.	Milwaukie, Gladstone and Happy Valley
Life Christian Center	LCC Food Pantry	10,000.00	\$3,975.70	Funds to purchase supplement food, hygiene products and replace an old refrigerator.	Milwaukie
Lions Foundation of West Linn	Youth Tool Clinic	880.00	\$250.00	One day event for 25 at-risk youth to learn the use of basic tools.	West Linn
Oak Hill Presbyterian Church	Backpack Buddies @ Lot Whitcomb & View Acres	2,000.00	\$2,000.00	Purchase of food to support their program.	North Clackamas
Our House of Portland	Refrigerated Truck to Sustain Esther's Pantry, A Vital Clackamas County Shopping Style Food Pantry	10,000.00	\$10,000.00	Partial funding to purchase a used refrigerated truck.	Milwaukie
Pongo Fund, The	The Pongo Fund/Clackamas County Fight Against Hunger	3,500.00	\$1,000.00	Funds to purchase pet food and veterinary care.	County-wide
Project Lemonade	Free Shopping Store Program for Foster Youth	5,000.00	\$5,000.00	Funds to purchase clothing and backpacks for children in the foster care system.	County-wide
River of Life Center	Veteran and Youth in Service Program	7,400.00	\$7,400.00	Program to connect 20 at-risk youth with veterans to learn life skills.	County-wide

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Sandy Community Action Center	Food Pantry Support	2,183.00	\$2,183.00	Funds to purchase a few chairs and coolers. The bulk of the request is to cover the cost of a Spanish interpreter to serve twice a month.	Sandy
Sleep in Heavenly Peace OR - Canby	Sleep in Heavenly Peace	15,000.00	\$7,500.00	Purchase of a cargo trailer and additional tools to be used in the process of making beds for children.	County-wide
Society of St Vincent de Paul - Brown Bagg Project	Brown Bagg Project, St Vincent de Paul	6,000.00	\$6,000.00	Funds to provide necessities not covered by food stamps for the homeless and needy.	Estacada, Eagle Creek and Colton
Society of St Vincent de Paul - Portland Council	Low Income Housing Support	15,000.00	\$6,000.00	Two part project. 1) To provide utility/rent assistance 2) To purchase software and laptop to streamline application process.	Milwaukie
Society of St Vincent de Paul - Resurrection Conference	Rent and Utilities Assistance	9,000.00	\$6,000.00	Funds for utility and rent assistance. It will be evenly split.	County-wide
Society of St Vincent de Paul - St Aloysius Conference	Food/Rent/Utility Assistance	18,000.00	\$6,000.00	Requesting \$10k for rent/utility assistance, \$5k for food assistance and \$3k for storage space for non-food items.	Estacada, Eagle Creek and Colton
Thelma's Place	Thelma's Place	8,000.00	\$8,000.00	Purchase of van to transport their participants.	Canby and Milwaukie
Trauma Intervention Program	Trauma Intervention Program	10,000.00	\$5,000.00	Funds to recruit and train 50 volunteers to be available to provide support to victims of traumatic events.	Milwaukie, Estacada and Canby
West Linn Food Pantry	West Linn Food Pantry	2,500.00	\$1,500.00	Funds to supplement their food pantry.	West Linn
		Total:	\$250,000.00		

2019 Applications not Recommended for Funding

Organization	Project	Amount Requested	Explanation of Program	Service Area	New Applicant
A Village for One	A Village for One Therapeutic Home	5,000.00	Funds to purchase the new home that will serve female minor survivors of sexual exploitation.	County-wide	no
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 180	Children in Need	3,000.00	Funds to provide school supplies to children between 6-15 years old.	Milwaukie	yes
Arc of Multnomah Clackamas, The	The Arc of Multnomah-Clackamas Community Inclusion Support	15,000.00	Recruitment of a program coordinator to work with case workers to enrich the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.	County-wide	no
BeeLine Foundation	BeeLine Foundation; beelinefoundation.org	3,500.00	Funds for "life essentials" for people in the LO, WL and Wilsonville areas	Lake Oswego, West Linn, Wilsonville	yes
Bloomin Boutique	Bloomin' Boutique 2019-2020	15,000.00	Cost of rent and purchase of shoes, backpacks and coats for children.	County-wide	yes
Boys and Girls Club of Portland Metropolitan Area	Oak Grove Boys & Girls Club	15,000.00	Funds to cover wages of site coordinator and supplies.	Oak Grove	yes
Camp Arrah Wanna	Healing Through Camp	18,000.00	Installation of high ropes course at camp.	County-wide	yes
Canby Public Library, The	Room Remodel to Accommodate WIC Services	26,000.00	Minor alterations to a room at the library to accommodate WIC.	Canby	no
Children's Course, The	THRIVE Mentoring Program a The Children's Course	5,000.00	Program to pair 12 at-risk Latino youth with mentor for homework assistance and other activities.	Gladstone	no

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Clackamas County Peace Officers' Benevolent Foundation	Clackamas County Shop with a Cop	2,000.00	Funds to supplement their already establish program. Money would allow 20 additional kids to participate.	County-wide	yes
Clackamas Emergency Services Foundation	Operation Santa Claus	10,000.00	Funds for rental and utilities for warehouse.	North Clackamas	no
Clackamas ESD	Collaborative Problem Solving Parent Group Workshop	6,700.00	Expansion of training program to include parents of children with challenging behavior.	North Clackamas	yes
Clackamas Volunteers in Medicine	Vaccination Delivery	11,461.00	Purchase of large freezer with 2 data trackers, back up generator and supplies to provide consistent delivery of vaccines.	County-wide	no
Clarkes Elementary Parent Teacher Group	Clarkes Family Night	1,000.00	Funds to cover the food provided/sold at the school's family nights.	Molalla	yes
Community Living Above	Community Living Above DBA Family Inspired Recovery	10,240.00	Funds to establish a program designed to help teens struggling with substance abuse and risky behavior and their families.	West Linn	yes
Dougy Center, The	Ensuring Emotional Support for Grieving Children in Clackamas County	10,000.00	Funds to support 3 grief support groups in Canby.	County-wide	yes
Echo Ranch	Mirror Arena	15,000.00	Funds to build an outdoor arena to provide equine therapy to at-risk youth working with rescued horses.	County-wide	no
Edwards Center	ECM Renovation	15,000.00	Renovation of the multipurpose room at their Milwaukie location.	County-wide	no
Family Promise of Tualatin Valley	Family Promise of Tualatin Valley	15,000.00	Funds to cover general operations.		

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Fix it Forward	Fix it Forward	10,000.00	Funds for materials to do ADA and upgrades for low income people such as veterans, single mothers and elderly.	Molalla	yes
Food Waves	High School Internship Program	4,997.44	Stipend for 3 HS students to participate in an educational organic internship.	Estacada, Molalla, Colton and Gladstone	yes
Foothill-Molalla Adult Community Center	Evidence Based Classes for the Masses	5,500.00	Cost of instructors to continue ongoing classes and additional ones.	Molalla	no
Fort Kennedy	For Kennedy	15,000.00	Funds to hire 2 part-time drivers for their extended services outreach.	County-wide	no
Friends Involved in Dog Outreach (FIDO)	Truck with Lift Gate Acquisition	15,000.00	Partial funding to purchase truck to streamlined their operations.	County-wide	yes
Friends of Estacada Community Center	Community Outreach	10,000.00	Funds to hire a temporary part time person to focus on increasing awareness of the services they provide.	Estacada	no
Friends of the Milwaukie Center	BINGO Board Replacement	6,590.00	Funds to purchase new bingo equipment.	North Clackamas	no
Gleaners of Clackamas County	First Phase of New Building Expansion	15,000.00	Final site planning and building design for warehouse expansion.	County-wide, although located in Oregon City	no
Heartful Training Group	Heartfelt Group - Life Skills & Training	10,000.00		County-wide	yes

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Homeless Solutions Coalition of Clackamas County	Building Capacity and Developing Organizational Stability to Meet the Goals of the Homeless Solutions Coalition of Clackamas County as Identified in its 2-year Strategic Plan	15,000.00	Funds to cover the cost of a consultant with expertise in fundraising and to achieve non-profit status.	County-wide	yes
In4All	Expanded Partnerships Project	4,500.00	Will provide access to mentors from local governments and business volunteers to grade school students.	Oregon City	no
Lake Oswego Learning Center	Program Enrichments	2,600.00	Supplies, cost of a CPA and Web Developer for the homeschooling program.	County-wide	yes
Lake Oswego School District	One Circle Training for LOSD Staff	13,784.00	Training and materials for the district's counselors and psychologists through the One Circle Foundation.	Lake Oswego	yes
Lawrence Alberti VFW Post and Auxiliary 12140	Literacy Through Community	7,000.00	County-wide book club for all ages with patriotic theme.	County-wide	no
Love INC of Clackamas County	Lace Up With Love	3,850.00	Funds to cover the administrative costs to expand the program.	County-wide	no
McCulloch Foundation, The	The McCulloch Foundation Sharewell Model	20,000.00	Funds to establish a Sharewell home in Clackamas County to house homeless people.	County-wide	yes
Milwaukie Lions Charitable Foundation	Milwaukie Lions Project Literacy	2,000.00	Funds to purchase books for low income children.	Milwaukie	no
Neighborhood Economic Development Corporation	Capacity Building: Housing Navigator to Serve Former Foster Youth and Youth at risk of Homelessness	10,000.00	Funds to support their youth housing navigator position.	County-wide	no

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North Oregon Regional Search and Rescue	4th Annual K-9 Seminar	4,800.00	Funds to provide a 3 day seminar to cover various fields of SAR.	County-wide	yes
Northwest Family Services	Casa Esperanza Domestic Violence Shelter	15,000.00	Partial wages for a Day Advocate	County-wide	no
Northwest Housing Alternatives	24-7 Healthcare Access for NHA Residents	15,000.00	Pilot program. NHA wishes to partner with HEALTH+ to provide free 24-7 medical consults via telephone/facetime. They hope to serve 100 residents.	County-wide	no
Options Counseling and Family Services	GenerationPMTO	31,800.00	Training for two staff members that would then be able to train future staff. Services are aimed at youth with behavioral issues.	County-wide	yes
Oregon City Schools Foundation	Student Entrepreneurs Fast Track	16,817.00	Funds to grow a program for students to learn critical thinking skills.	Oregon City	yes
Parrott Creek Child and Family Services	Enhanced Steps to Active Recovery	16,268.00	Program for guidance and support for parents with substance use issues impacting their children.	County-wide	no
People's Harm Reduction Alliance, The	Portland People's Outreach Project	9,000.00	Funds for supplies and educational materials to aid people suffering from substance abuse.	County-wide	yes
Providence Milwaukie Hospital Foundation	Milwaukie Community Teaching Kitchen Family Cooking Classes	14,980.00	Funds to offer 4 cooking classes at the teaching kitchen.	Milwaukie	no
ReFit, Remodeling for Independence Together	Neighborhood Housing Preservation	10,000.00	Funds to provide up to 10 low-income households with repairs of deferred maintenance.	County-wide	no
Rivers East Village	Rivers East Village	7,297.00	Funds to establish a village to provide services to aging population.	Milwaukie, Gladstone	yes
Safety Compass	Early Intervention and Support Strategies for Victims of Commercial Sexual Exploitation	11,000.00	Training and outreach to address sexual exploitation.	Milwaukie and Canby	yes

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Salvation Army, a California Corporation, The	Clackamas Ministry Center Social Services and Programs Fund	50,000.00	General social services such as a programs for seniors and at-risk youth.	County-wide	yes
Tools 4 Troops	Tools 4 Troops	4,290.00	25% of operating costs to run organization, which includes vehicle costs, office and storage space as well as promotion materials.	County-wide	no
Trillium Family Services, Inc	Chrysalis Therapeutic Support Group	6,000.00	Funds to continue therapeutic support for female HS students that have experienced trauma or abuse.	Milwaukie	no
USS OREGON Commissioning Committee	USS OREGON (SSN-793) Commissioning	2,000.00	Funds for the commissioning of the submarine.	/	yes
WAG-Able DBA Where Ability Grows	Out and About	9,000.00	Funds to hire a person who will lead the weekly activities for young adults with disabilities.	Canby, Milwaukie and West Linn	no
West Linn Community Preschool	Snack & Art Supplies for Cooperative Preschool	1,260.00	Funds to purchase snacks and art supplies for the school year.	West Linn	yes
West Linn Library Foundation	Dolly Parton's Imagination Library	10,000.00		West Linn	no
Wholistic Peace Institute, Educating for Peace	Students Lead for Peace	9,968.00	Funds to train teachers to establish Peace Leadership Programs at each of the 9 schools in Canby.	Canby	no
With Love Oregon	Operating Expenses	6,000.00	Funds to assist in covering their rental space.	County-wide	no