



**City Council Approval of
Collaboration Grant with Gates Foundation for
Trauma Recovery Services for High Need Families**

December 1, 2010



- Created by city voters in 2002; overwhelmingly renewed in 2008.
- Annually invests more than \$12M in 71 proven, cost effective programs reaching 16,000 children and families.
- Over \$90 M invested in children's programs through 2012.



- **Early Childhood**
Children enter kindergarten prepared to succeed.
- **After School**
Students stay engaged in school and safe after school.
- **Mentoring**
Children have positive, consistent adult role models.
- **Child Abuse Prevention & Intervention**
Stressed families most at risk receive support and intervention services.
- **Foster Care**
Ensuring kids in foster care succeed.

A Snapshot of Who We Serve:

- Over 60% of children served are children of color.
- Over 25% of children served speak a primary language other than English.
- Just over 60% of children served live in SE & NE Portland.

Using Tax Dollars Wisely:

- Annually audited.
- Operates with a 5-percent administrative cap.
- 95 cents of every dollar goes to proven programs.
- A \$3 M Leverage Fund matches public dollars with private ones to maximize resources going to Portland's children.
- All programs are monitored by staff.
- Grantees are selected through a competitive funding process.
- A five-member Allocation Committee meets publicly to make all funding decisions.



Allocation Committee meets publicly and approves all funding

- Commissioner Dan Saltzman, Chair
- Mult. Co. Commissioner Deborah Kafoury
- Alissa Keny-Guyer, City-appointed rep
- Adrienne Livingston, County-appointed rep
- Ron Beltz, Portland Business Alliance rep



Collaboration Grants

- Allocation Committee voted in January to set aside \$500k for foundation & Levy-initiated projects in Levy's five program areas.
- Authorized formation of a Collaboration Committee of funders to seek out and cultivate projects with other funders.
- Collaboration Committee has met monthly to establish criteria framework for screening potential projects.



Funding Parameters/Priorities

- Projects can include system improvements, capacity building or direct services.
- Must adhere to Collaboration Committee's framework:
 - Leverage potential is high (dollars, partnerships, other resources)
 - Theory of Change clearly articulated.
 - Emphasis on capacity building or system improvement, benefits current grantees.
 - Balance between high support from other funders and new ideas.
 - Grant Sizes allow for 4 -5 projects from total available.
- Collaboration Committee recommends projects to Allocation Committee; Allocation Committee votes on proposals in public meeting



Recovery Services for Families with Trauma history

- Goal of program is to reduce child abuse/neglect by stabilizing mothers/their families.
- Mothers' trauma histories may include sexual abuse, domestic violence, substance abuse and other serious mental health issues
- Portland State University's Regional Research Institute is applicant in partnership with Impact NW and Catholic Charities.
- Gates Foundation to provide \$225k over three years, conditioned on local funding contribution. Levy to provide \$100k total.
- Provides group psychotherapy to 30 mothers with history of trauma at their housing sites, each year for 3 years.
- Program model, Trauma Recovery Empowerment Model (TREM), is evidence-based practice recognized by SAMHSA.

Project Partners

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