

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: * Authorize a grant agreement with Causa Oregon in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to support DREAMers and urge Congress to continue the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program and to pass the DREAM Act (Ordinance)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

Causa Oregon is a fiscal sponsor for the Oregon Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Coalition, on behalf of DREAMers, for whom the DACA application fee presented a financial hardship, and for legal services. Over 11,000 undocumented young adults, who came to the United States as children, live, work, and study in Oregon. They are known as DREAMers. This resolution reaffirms the City of Portland's protection and support of its immigrant and refugee communities, including its DREAMers

The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program (DACA) provides DREAMers with temporary work permits and protection from deportation. The DREAM Act creates a path towards permanent residency.

In response to President Trump's decision to rescind DACA, the City of Portland urges Congress to continue DACA, and to pass the DREAM Act. Furthermore, the City of Portland will reimburse a maximum amount of \$50,000 to Causa, acting as a fiscal sponsor for the Oregon DACA Coalition, on behalf of DREAMers, for whom the DACA application fee presented a financial hardship, and for legal services.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

During the Fall 2017 Budget Monitoring Process, the City of Portland decided to reimburse up to \$50,000 from the General Fund to Causa Oregon, acting as a fiscal sponsor for the Oregon DACA Coalition, to be used on local DREAMers' DACA application scholarships and legal services.

Community impacts and community involvement:

DACA recipients – DREAMers – are young adults who came to the United States before the age of 16. DREAMers are of many ethnicities, religious backgrounds, and races. They are inextricably woven into the fabric of our community.

The City is providing financial assistance to DACA recipients for whom the application fee presented a financial hardship. This is a great benefit for the DREAMers's community.

100% Renewable Goal:

N/A

Budgetary Impact Worksheet**Does this action change appropriations?**☐ **YES:** Please complete the information below.☒ **NO:** Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount