

## IMPACT STATEMENT

**Legislation title:** \*Authorize a Special Appropriation grant agreement with Dress for Success Oregon, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, for their Reach East program, that provides pre and post-employment support to women east of 82<sup>nd</sup> avenue. (Ordinance)

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**Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:**

This legislation will be in the form of a fiscal year 2017-2018, special appropriation grant to Dress for Success Oregon, in the amount of \$50,000. These funds will primarily be used to provide pre and post-employment services to women east of 82<sup>nd</sup> avenue. This legislation does not support or change any specific city policy.

**Financial and budgetary impacts:**

Funding for this grant is available in the FY2017-18 budget in the General Fund Special Appropriations.

**Community impacts and community involvement:**

This legislation seeks to address the issues of unemployment and under-employment among low-income women on the east-side of Portland. Its primary objective is to expand outreach east of 82<sup>nd</sup> avenue. Providing job training, job retention, and access to the suiting program and professional women's group. Through their Fast Track and Hope programs, Dress for Success provides individualized information that helps women maintain and advance in employment and towards earning a living wage.

The historical core of Portland's minority population has shifted to east of 82<sup>nd</sup> avenue; a trend that is expected to continue. This legislation seeks to provide support where the greatest need currently is. According to data from the City of Portland 54% of households headed by single women live in poverty. 20% of people in the City of Portland live in poverty, and a large portion of those people live on the east side. The area this legislation seeks to serve has been described as "an area that has become a "landing zone" for ethnic minorities and the city's poorest residents." This contributes to city livability because helping people gain employment will result not only in job growth but healthier people, equity and inclusion and prosperous households.

**100% Renewable Goal:**

This action does not increase or decrease the City's total energy use nor does it increase or decrease the City's renewable energy use.

## Budgetary Impact Worksheet

**Does this action change appropriations?**

☐ **YES:** Please complete the information below.

☒ **NO:** Skip this section

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Fund Center</b>	<b>Commitment Item</b>	<b>Functional Area</b>	<b>Funded Program</b>	<b>Grant</b>	<b>Sponsored Program</b>	<b>Amount</b>