

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: * Authorize a grant agreement with the Center for Intercultural Organizing doing business as Unite Oregon in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 to support the Hayaan project to educate immigrant communities on their rights and how to protect themselves against hate actions. (Ordinance)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

Founded by Portland-area Muslims after 9/11, the Center for Intercultural Organizing (CIO) is a diverse, grassroots organization working to build a multi-racial, multicultural movement for immigrant and refugee rights. Over the past year, CIO doing business as Unite Oregon has been on the frontlines fighting for immigrant and refugee rights in both urban and rural communities.

Led by people of color, immigrants and refugees, rural communities, and people experiencing poverty, the Hayaan project works across Oregon to build a unified intercultural movement for justice.

The Hayaan project is created with the same idea the Somali nomads had in the time of drought. Hayaan was an act of moving. It is more than a means of survival, it represents community-wide act of resiliency—a movement that includes everyone, built on a vision of societal renewal, self-sufficiency, and collective action. Immigrants and refugees now face a kind of drought. The Hayaan project encompasses a journey for people to lead the society to more fertile ground.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

Funding for this grant is available in the FY2017-18 budget in the General Fund Special Appropriations. There is no new financial impact.

Community impacts and community involvement:

The Hayaan project is led by underrepresented and underserved communities, and CIO staff and board members are majority immigrants, refugees, and people of color.

The project activities will raise the awareness of community members and elected officials of the growing threats to immigrant and refugee communities through public forums, media, and one-on-one meetings.

The project supports victims of profiling, surveillance, ICE raids, and other actions through partnerships with National Lawyers' Guild Oregon Chapter, the ACLU, and other legal organizations.

100% Renewable Goal:

Not applicable

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