

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: Accept findings from Portland United Against Hate on Hate Crime and Incident Reporting Pilot Project (Report).

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

According to a study by ProPublica, the State of Oregon saw a 60% increase in hate violence in 2016. Here in Portland, our community organizations are a strong resource and refuge for those most targeted by hateful acts. These trusted community organizations fill in gaps that our law enforcement and municipal institutions cannot consistently address, however, they have lacked standardized reporting systems. This gap in city services undermines livability and leave people feeling unsafe.

A pillar of Portland United Against Hate's mission is to address this gap in tracking and response by facilitating a partnership between community organizations and the City of Portland. In 2017, the PUAH Coalition ran a city-funded Pilot Project to begin investigating this issue. The Pilot Project assessed community's experiences with hate incidents and pursued options to provide solutions that would advance safety and healing stemming from hate violence.

The PUAH findings have had a vast impact beyond this small grant: the findings have informed the Coalition's current work and are actively laying the foundation for a forthcoming Hate Incident Reporting System.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

N/A

Community impacts and community involvement:

The findings and recommendations for next steps detailed in this report are drawn from community focus groups led by seven local organizations, most of which do work with culturally-specific peoples that are often targeted by hateful acts based on their appearance or identity.

The community that provided input into this project is diverse, including people ages 13-66, renters and non-housed people, people from across the gender and sexuality spectrum, and people with disabilities. Most participants were people of color and people who speak a language other than or in addition to English in the home.

The community impact of this project is significant in that it elevates the existing, but untended, experiences of people that experience Portland as an unsafe city. The impact of the Pilot Project has had a lasting effect in providing direction for the coalition's current work, which includes capacity building, training, and data collection.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

N/A

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

RUN OF SHOW

PUAH City Council Report

Thursday, May 3, 2018, 2 – 4 pm

Goals:

- Name that the Pilot Grant was a success and laid the foundation for our current PUAH work;
- Shape a shared narrative about the strategies of PUAH’s anti-hate work as the City’s work;
- Bring new information to the table that focus on hate as a public safety issue and on PUAH as working towards solutions.

Overview Topic for each Panel of Speakers	Who	Timing	Details
Introduction and Context	Kari Koch , Program Coordinator, PUAH	5 min	City Context: Partnership, the value of this work, ONI Goals.
	Alice Perry , Director of Community Programs, Latino Network	3 min	Community Context: Origins of PUAH, foundations of the Pilot Project
	Eric Ward , Executive Director, Western States Center	5 min	National and Movement Context: The importance of this model – a community/city partnership to address and prevent hate violence
Findings in the Pilot and Foundations for current work	Dr. Shweta Moorthy , Researcher, Coalition of Communities of Color	15 min	Overview, findings of Pilot. Pilot built foundation for establishing and launching the tracking and response project with current grant funding.
	Dr. Justin Henderson , Director, Lewis & Clark Community Counseling Center Graduate School of Education and Counseling	4 min	Tracking Tool: People Trauma-Informed Hate Incident Tracking Trauma-Informed Hate Response (Mental Health)
	Suleyman Nor , Community Engagement Specialist, African Youth and Community Organization	3 min	Beyond Data: Community Safety The PUAH Coalition exists not just to track hate, but to respond to and prevent hateful acts. One key way that we do this through community capacity building.
	Seemab Hussaini , Community Organizer, Unite Oregon	3 min	Wrap Up: What we found is that hate incidents are not lone incidents, this is a culture of violence and an issue of public safety that ripples through communities. With a small amount of money, the pilot project laid the foundation for important work that will have critical outcomes for both the community and the City.

Testimony on the impact of the Pilot Project	Asli Hassan , Community Member, Lutheran Community Services Northwest	3 min	Personal experience with a hate incident. What you want from the City – policies and practices that make people safer and supported when that safety is violated. (Somali)
	Djimet Dogo , Director, IRCO Africa House	3 min	PUAH is a partnership and the city is getting a lot out the partnership, like wrap around services that are culturally responsive for people affected by hate incidents, but there is so much more our communities need and so much more that we could do through this project.
	Diane Hess , Education and Outreach Director, Fair Housing Council of Oregon	3 min	Being a point of contact for Hate Incident Tracking Tool, connection to housing.
	Meg Juarez , Program Coordinator, Crime Prevention, Office of Neighborhood Involvement	3 min	PUAH is about safety. This could benefit our work and connect with the Crime Prevention system.