



Leverage Fund Process

Portland City Council

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Challenge Grants

- Allocation Committee allocated \$2.5 million of the total \$3 million in leverage funds to challenge grants.
- Challenge grants require applicants for PCL funding to match PCL funds 1:1 with funds from foundations, corporations and other sources.



Application Process

- PCL issued Challenge Grant Requests for Investment (RFI) in all 5 PCL Program areas on March 5, 2010.
- RFIs were the same as those used for competitive PCL grants and also required inclusion of a Leverage Plan.
- PCL received 40 applications requesting \$16,070,234 million in funding.



Leverage Plan Requirements

- At least 50% of matching funds required to be cash.
- No more than 50% of matching funds allowed as in-kind match.
- Provide documentation for any cash match already received by the applicant.
- Provide a plan for securing the remainder of the required cash match.
- Provide valuation methods for in-kind resources claimed as match.



Application Scores

- Program Score (100 points possible): Average of scores awarded by panels of 3 volunteer reviewers.
- Leverage Plan Score (25 points possible): Staff scored leverage plans based on a rubric and cross-checked to be sure plans with similar characteristics were scored similarly.
- Bonus Points (6 points possible): Staff awarded 3 points for applicants predominantly serving east of 82nd Ave., and 3 points for culturally specific programs.



- Allocation Committee approved \$2.5 M in funding on June 4th
 - 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



Funded Applications

- Rosemary Anderson High School: after-school program including academic support and credit recovery, employment training and placement, and community service.
- Library Foundation: Raising a Reader early childhood literacy program that provide book deliveries to partner sites, literacy materials to parents and training to partner sites to incorporate literacy activities into curriculum.

Rosemary Anderson High School

Rewriting life stories

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- Children's Relief Nursery:
expansion of child abuse prevention services for at risk families to East Portland.
- Neighborhood House:
CASASTART program expansion to provide intensive case management to youth aged 8-13 residing in the New Columbia housing development.





- Morrison Child and Family Services: Family Sexual Abuse Treatment (FSAT) program providing specialized mental health services to children aged 4-18 who have experienced sexual abuse.
- Hacienda Community Development Corp.: expansion of Expresiones culturally specific after-school program to Miraflores housing development in North Portland.





- Peninsula Children's Center: quality enhancements to improve the quality of care to obtain accreditation of the National Association for the Education of Young Children.



- Janus Youth Programs: Safehome program providing child abuse prevention and intervention services for homeless street youth who are pregnant and/or parenting.



- Self Enhancement Inc.: culturally specific family support services aimed at child abuse prevention and intervention.





Conditional Awards...

- Successful applicants have specified time periods in which to raise planned matching funds and to provide verification for in-kind match.
- If applicants are not successful in meeting these requirements, funds allocated to those proposals will return to the Leverage Fund for re-allocation by the committee.