

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: * Authorize two-year grant agreements for programming for at-risk youth in partnership with Portland Parks & Recreation under the Mayor's Community Center Initiative in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$700,000 (Ordinance).

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

In 2015, the Portland Police Bureau reported a record number of gang shootings in our community. We are on pace for another record breaking year in 2016. In response to this uptick in gang violence, Mayor Hales established the Community Center Initiative (MCCI) to offer pro-social activities for at-risk youth in safe and supportive environments, including Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R) facilities.

As part of the MCCI, PP&R provides grant funding to organizations with experience delivering the aforementioned services. This leverages the resources of these organizations, enhances our collective efforts, and strengthens our partnerships so that we may be even more effective in engaging at-risk youth.

The Mayor's Office, Commissioner Fritz Office, and PP&R jointly solicited grant proposals from a number of organizations.

The Mayor's Office, Commissioner Fritz Office, Office of Youth Violence Prevention, and PP&R have reviewed grant proposals, and recommend that two-year grants be awarded to selected organizations in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$700,000.

The purpose of this ordinance is to receive authorization from Council to execute grant agreements, as approved to form by the City Attorney, on behalf of the City of Portland, with Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center (POIC), Immigrant & Refugee Community Organization (IRCO) – Africa House, Latino Network, Native American Youth and Family Center (NAYA), Boys & Girls Club of Portland Metropolitan Area, Self Enhancement, Inc. (SEI), and REAP, Inc.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

For Fiscal Year 2016-17, the aggregate amount of grant funding that will be allocated to selected organizations is not to exceed \$350,000. The specific amounts were determined during the FY 2016-17 budget process.

For Fiscal Year 2017-18, organizations will receive an aggregate amount not to exceed \$350,000. However, the availability and amount of this funding will be determined during the FY 2017-18 City Budget process.

Community impacts and community involvement:

The overall MCCI framework was shaped through meetings with community stakeholders held during Fiscal Year 2014-15. Community stakeholders included representatives from large and small youth serving non-profits, other government agencies, private citizens, and other bureau representatives. In particular, the Mayor reached out to key culturally specific organizations who are already working with youth in highly effective ways. The goals of the program are to provide innovative, free, and culturally responsive services to youth.


In the first year of the MCCI, PP&R and community organizations have collectively reached over 12,000 youth. We are looking to build upon these early successes.

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


 Finance Manager, PP&R (Jeff Shaffer)

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 Date