

## IMPACT STATEMENT

**Legislation title:** Declare support for DREAMers and urge Congress to continue the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program and to pass the DREAM Act (Resolution)

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

Over 11,000 undocumented young adults, who came to the United States as children, live, work, and study in Oregon. They are known as DREAMers. This resolution reaffirms the City of Portland's protection and support of its immigrant and refugee communities, including its DREAMers.

The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program (DACA) provides DREAMers with temporary work permits and protection from deportation. The DREAM Act creates a path towards permanent residency.

In response to President Trump's decision to rescind DACA, the City of Portland urges Congress to continue DACA, and to pass the DREAM Act. Furthermore, the City of Portland will reimburse a maximum amount of \$50,000 to Causa, acting as a fiscal sponsor for the Oregon DACA Coalition, on behalf of DREAMers, for whom the DACA application fee presented a financial hardship, and for legal services.

**Financial and budgetary impacts:**

During the Fall 2017 Budget Monitoring Process, the City of Portland will reimburse up to \$50,000 from the General Fund to Causa, acting as a fiscal sponsor for the Oregon DACA Coalition, to be used on local DREAMers' DACA application scholarships and legal services between September 5, 2017 – October 5, 2017.

**Community impacts and community involvement:**

DACA recipients – DREAMers – are young adults who came to the United States before the age of 16. DREAMers are of many ethnicities, religious backgrounds, and races. They are inextricably woven into the fabric of our community.

By appropriating \$50,000 to the Causa, acting as a fiscal sponsor for the Oregon DACA Coalition, the City is providing financial assistance to DACA recipients for whom the application fee presented a financial hardship.

**100% Renewable Goal:**

N/A

**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>