

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: *Authorize a Special Appropriation grant agreement with College Possible in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to provide intensive college access and success programming for low-income Portland students. (Ordinance)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

College Possible is a nonprofit corporation striving to make college graduation possible for low-income Portland students through an intensive curriculum of coaching and support from junior year in high school through college graduation. Founded in Minnesota in 2000 and launched in Portland in 2012, College Possible is a proven, research-based program with industry-leading results. They serve low-income students who have college potential, but lack the tools necessary to access and succeed in college. This legislation does not affect or change any city policy.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

Funding for this grant is available in the FY2017-18 budget in the General Fund Special Appropriation.

Community impacts and community involvement:

Funding allows College Possible to strengthen their college program from tech-connected coaching to in-person campus-based coaching. They plan to deepen partnerships with at least two Portland area colleges in the next two years and place an AmeriCorps college coach full-time on these campuses.

College Possible is positively impacting low-income communities of color by empowering them to pursue their dreams of higher education. Each student served becomes a college access messenger to their peers, families and neighbors – spreading the benefits of a college degree far beyond the student who earns it; with the power to transform the communities they call home.

These future engaged citizens will be more likely to participate in public policy and decision-making opportunities as they begin their career and continue to work in their communities, thus helping the city reach their goals of building capacity for a more equitable community.

100% Renewable Goal:

This action does not increase or decrease the City's total energy use nor does it increase or decrease the City's renewable energy use.

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