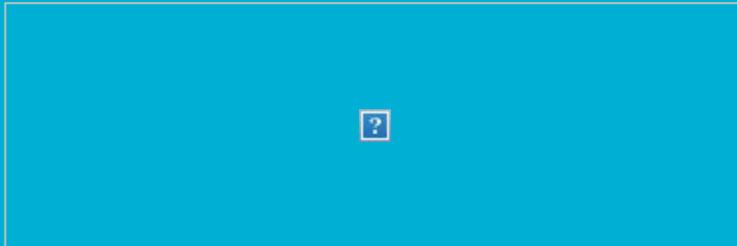


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Invest a Minute Allocation Committee Meeting Recap

Mayor Ted Wheeler, AC Chair | Lisa Pellegrino, Levy Director

May 13th Meeting News

Allocation Committee Action:

- **OK's creation of Small Grants Fund**
- **Seeks public input re proposed Program Strategies and draft Request For Investment**

The AC approved creation of a [Small Grants Fund](#) to improve equity of access to Levy funding, to fund non-profit organizations that have not received PCL funding in the past, to reach children and families not served in currently funded programs, and to build capacity in smaller organizations serving children and families. Staff recommended setting aside \$1 million to \$1.5 million total over three years (estimated 2021-2024), with grants less than \$60K annually, and hiring a person to pilot the fund within the described parameters. Staff will report back to the AC in the coming months on progress.

Program Area Strategies for 2020-25 & draft RFI

Staff presented a draft of [Program Area Strategies](#) for the next competitive funding round, along with a draft section of the [Request for Investment](#) (funding application). Both items will be discussed again at the June 3rd AC meeting. Committee members and Levy staff request public comment between now and Friday, May 24th to incorporate feedback into the drafts.

Please take a moment to share your thoughts with us on both drafts:

- [Submit comments here via Survey Monkey](#) and/or
- Email your comments to pclinfo@portlandoregon.gov and/or
- Testify at the June 3rd Allocation Committee meeting

Both draft documents rely heavily on the recent [Community Engagement process report](#) recommendations which focused on racial equity, diversity and inclusion. Staff also considered recent local data, relevant research, and state and local frameworks, along with input from Oregon Department of Human Services for foster care strategies. Levy staff anticipate both items will be further discussed at the June 3rd AC meeting, before a potential vote at the June 17th AC meeting.

Changes to public testimony/advocacy in next funding round

Also at the meeting, staff outlined potential options for changes to the public testimony and advocacy process when the AC makes funding decisions. Options stem from a [Portland State University report on grantmaking process improvement](#). Staff will present a recommendation on these issues at the June 3rd meeting for discussion and possible vote.

Upcoming AC meeting info

The next [Allocation Committee meeting](#) will be Monday, June 3rd, 2 - 4 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers, 1221 SW Fourth Ave. Agendas will be sent to the PCL database and posted on the PCL website the week prior the meeting. Other upcoming meetings are:

- June 17th, 2 - 4 pm

Miss Monday's meeting?

Watch the Monday, May 13th AC meeting on cable channel CityNEt 30 at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 21st and 10 a.m. Tuesday,

May 28th.

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Who We Are

The Portland Children's Levy was created by city voters in 2002 and overwhelmingly renewed for the third time by the electorate in May 2018. Funding for the new five-year Levy begins July 1, 2019 and runs through June 30, 2024.

The Levy is supported through a property tax paid by City of Portland homeowners that generates \$21 million toward investments in proven programs in areas of Early Childhood, After School, Mentoring, Child Abuse Prevention/Intervention, Foster Care and Hunger Relief. The Levy reaches over 8,000 children and their families annually; in addition, Levy-funded hunger relief services provide food to over 11,000 children and 9,167 parents/caregivers annually.

The Levy is annually audited and administrative costs do not exceed 5 percent.

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