Levy AC Approves $26.6 M in New Grants

The Allocation Committee at its Monday meeting approved the remaining $26 million out of an available $68 million for new three-year investments in Hunger Relief, After School and Mentoring programs.

The AC in late April approved $42 million for investments in Early Childhood, Foster Care and Child Abuse Prevention/Intervention.

The approved funding from July 2020 - June 2023 includes 22 grants in After School for $12.6 million; 11 grants in Hunger Relief for $7 million; and 8 grants in Mentoring for $6.7 million.

The Portland City Council has final approval on Allocation Committee decisions and will review these decisions, and those made at the April 24th AC meeting, in mid-June.

At the April meeting, AC voted to allocate the full $68 million to meet Levy equity goals and support organizations responding to emergency needs, and
not reduce allocations in light of projected revenue reductions over the next three years because of COVID-19.

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**Small Grants Fund Update**

The AC approved a two-step funding process design for the Small Grants Fund. Step 1 includes a short, written application approved by the AC for publication. Step 2 will include a longer application with full budget proposal, and an interview. Manager Arika Bridgeman-Bunyoli presented a tentative timeline:

- May 13th: Step 1 Application Materials published
- May 20th & 27th: Informational Sessions for potential applicants
- June: Reviewer Recruitment
- July 8th: Step 1 Application Due

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**Miss Monday's Meeting?**

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Upcoming AC Meeting

The AC will next meet in late August or early September to vote on the Small Grants Fund Step 2 Application. Meetings will be posted on the Levy website and social media platforms, and sent to the database.

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

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