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Allocation Committee Recap

Mayor Ted Wheeler, AC Chair Lisa Pellegrino, Levy Director

Levy AC Approves \$41.7M in New Grants

The Allocation Committee at its Friday meeting approved \$41.7 million out of an available \$68 million for <u>new three-year investments</u> in Early Childhood, Child Abuse Prevention/Intervention and Foster Care. The AC will use the remaining balance for investments in After School, Mentoring and Hunger Relief at its May 4th meeting.

While staff had presented the AC with options to reduce allocations in light of projected revenue reductions over the next three years because of COVID-19, committee members said they favored allocating the full \$68 million to meet equity goals and support organizations responding to emergency needs. The approved funding from July 2020 - June 2023 includes 16 grants in Early Childhood for \$21 million; 16 grants in Child Abuse Prevention/Intervention for \$12.2 million; and 12 grants in Foster Care for \$8.5 million.

The Portland City Council has final approval on Allocation Committee decisions and will review these decisions, and those made at the May 4th AC meeting, in mid-June.

Small Grants Fund Update

Small Grants Fund Manager Arika Bridgeman-Bunyoli has worked with the community and a design team to create the Small Grants funding process. Staff plans to pursue a two-step process for the Small Grants Fund (Step 1 short application, Step 2 written proposal, budget and interview.) We invite <u>your</u> <u>input</u> on the <u>draft documents</u> by end of business day Wednesday, April 29th. Tentative timeline:

- May 4th AC approval of process design
- May 13th Step 1 Application Materials published
- May 20th & 27th Informational Sessions
- June Reviewer Session
- July 8th Step 1 Application Due

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Upcoming AC Meeting

The AC will meet Monday, May 4th from 3-5 pm to make funding decisions in Mentoring, After School and Hunger Relief. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be conducted on Zoom. <u>You can watch via this livestream link</u>.

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The <u>Portland Children's Levy</u> 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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