



## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** May 7, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Acceptance of Oregon Health Authority substance misuse prevention grant and approval of Resolution No. 2025-012 appropriating the grant funds

**RECOMMENDED MOTIONS:**

- 1) Move approval of Document No. 2025-386 accepting an Oregon Health Authority Alcohol/Overdose Strategic Prevention Framework-Partnerships for Success grant.
- 2) Move approval of Resolution No. 2025-012 increasing appropriations within the Health Services Fund and the 2024-25 Deschutes County Budget.

**BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

On September 11, 2024, the Board of County Commissioners authorized Deschutes County Health Services (DCHS) to apply for the Oregon Health (OHA) Alcohol/Overdose Strategic Prevention Framework-Partnerships for Success (SPF-PFS) grant. DCHS applied for \$200,000 in funding, and OHA awarded DCHS \$246,669. Funding is for the term October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025. OHA anticipates renewing this funding award annually for an additional three years, pending any unexpected changes from the Substance Use Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) over the course of the full four-year grant cycle.

**Project Objectives**

The purpose of the project is to promote substance use prevention for individuals and families by building and expanding the capacity of local communities to implement proven prevention programs. Each grantee shall use local, state, and national data to: identify underserved communities and sub-populations of focus; identify prevention priorities in their communities; and develop and implement strategies to prevent substance use and related harms.

**Key Tasks**

The project is comprised of the following tasks:

- Conduct a SPF-PFS Local Substance Misuse Community Health Needs Assessment.
- Develop a SPF-PFS Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), informed by the needs assessment, that includes selected prevention interventions.
- Implement the prevention interventions identified in approved CHIP.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of selected prevention interventions by completing required reporting and evaluation activities required by OHA and SAMHSA.

In Deschutes County, the Needs Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan are conducted by the Central Oregon Health Council (COHC) in the form of the Regional Health Assessment (RHA) and Regional Health Improvement Plan (RHIP). DCHS has been an active participant in the development of each of these required grant components, and the COHC has agreed to work with DCHS toward meeting grant tasks.

### **Use of Grant Funding**

DCHS intends to use the funding to support the following current full-time equivalent (FTE) positions in fiscal year (FY) 2025 and the first quarter of FY 2026:

- Community Health Specialist II: up to 0.4 FTE during the timeframe
- Community Health Specialist II: up to 0.8 FTE during the timeframe
- Supervisor: up to 0.5 during the timeframe
- Public Health Manager: up to 0.05 during the timeframe

Only existing FTE will be supported through this funding, with 15% allocated for indirect costs.

### **BUDGET IMPACTS:**

Revenue of \$246,669 for the period October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025.

### **ATTENDANCE:**

Jessica Jacks, Public Health Program Manager

Cam Sparks, Budget & Financial Planning Manager