



# Youth Opportunity and Workforce Development FY 2022 Proposed Budget

Presented to the  
Board of County Commissioners

Multnomah County  
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# Introduction

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- Youth Opportunity and Workforce Development program provides youth ages 16 to 24 with training and paid work experiences
- The program is administered by Worksystems Inc (WSI), the Local Workforce Development Board
- Services are delivered by a network of CBOs and community partners
- Since 2014, the program has served nearly 7000 participants and provided over \$7M in youth wages



# Equity as Mission

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- Youth experiencing barriers to employment are prioritized for placement
- Work directly with communities of color and advocacy organizations to develop and deliver trainings and support services
- Proactively develop work experiences that deliver services directly to underserved and marginalized communities



# Program Snapshot FY21 (as of April 2021)

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4 Coaching Contractors

IRCO, NAFY, POIC, SE Works

70+ Community Partners and Programs

518 Youth Served

- 170 Work Experiences
- 287 Learning Opportunities
- 106 Career Labs

\$592,840 Earned by Youth

- \$277,781 in Work Experiences
- \$315,059 in Learning Opportunities



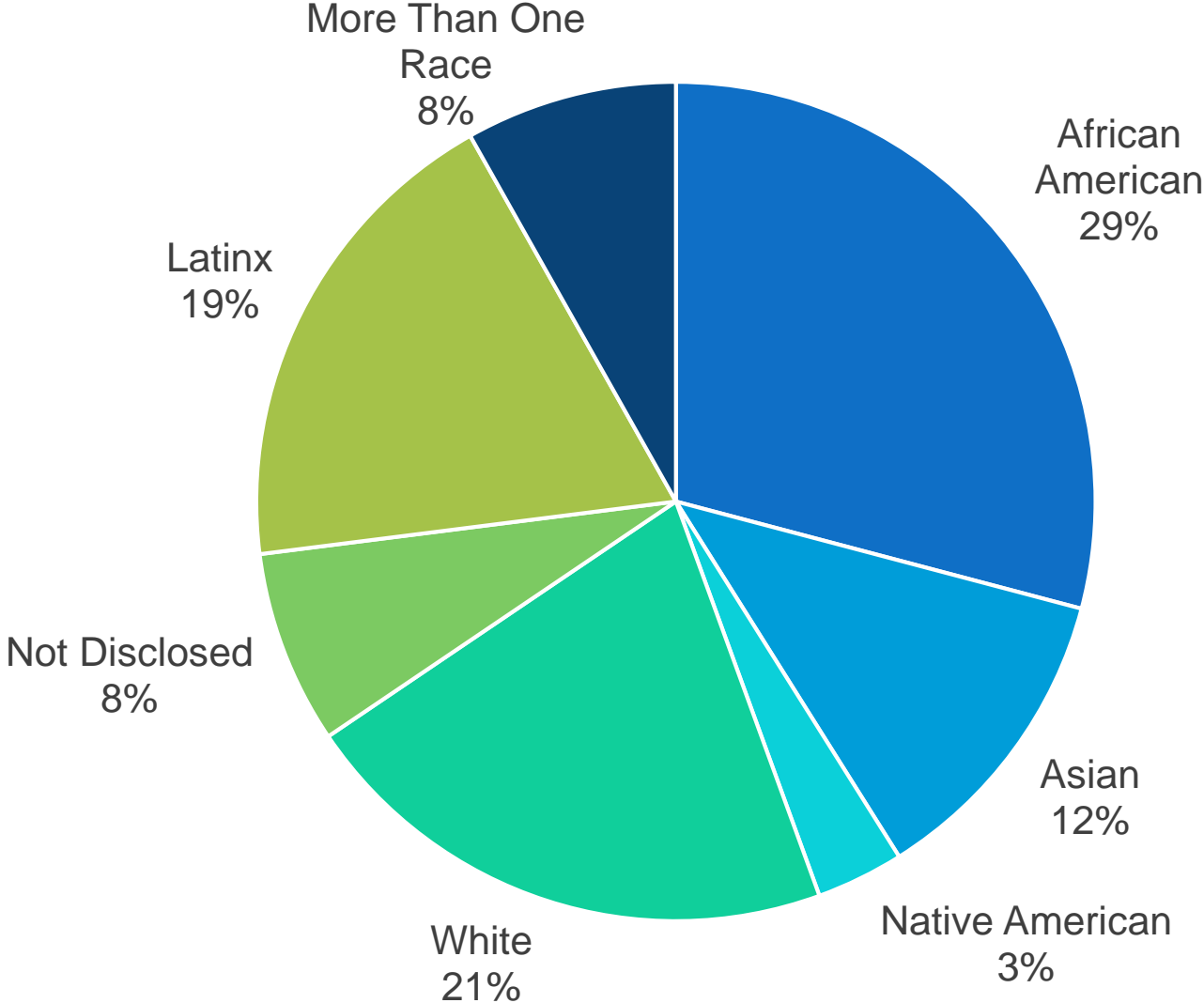
# Priority Youth Characteristics

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- English Language Learners
- Experiencing Housing Instability
- Foster Care
- Immigrant / Refugee Status
- Criminal Legal System Involvement
- LGBTQIA2S+
- Low Income
- Opportunity Youth
- Pregnant or Parenting
- Youth with Disabilities



# Participants by Race/Ethnicity



# COVID-19 Impacts and Response - FY 2021

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- Social distancing safety plans required for all in-person work experiences
- Many worksites closed during quarantine resulting in less available internships for youth
- Developed flexible, paid distance learning opportunities to meet the immediate needs of youth



# Learning Opportunities - POIC CHI

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POIC - Community Healing Initiative is a culturally specific program serving African-American/Black families who are involved with the juvenile justice system.

Some examples of the learning opportunities:

- Aggression Replacement Training (ART)
- Improving Problem-Solving Skills
- Mindfulness Practices
- Success Habits





# In-Person Work Experiences – Food Security

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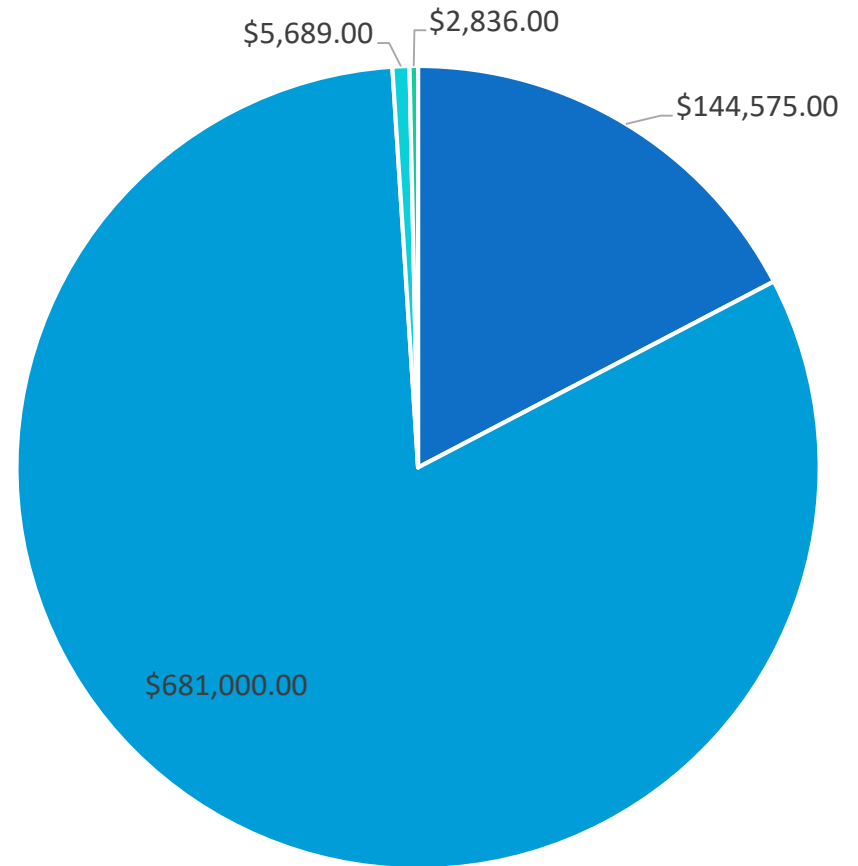
- Outgrowing Hunger – Community Gardens
- Mudbone Grown - Black Farmer Cooperative
- Helensview School – Food Box Distribution
- Feed the Mass – Food Rescue and Kitchen



# FY22 Proposed Budget

Total: \$834,100

- Personnel: \$144,575
- Professional Services: \$681,000
- Materials & Supplies: \$5,689
- Internal Services: \$2,836



■ Personnel  
■ M&S

■ Professional Services  
■ Internal Services



# Questions

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