

Lane County, Oregon

FY 08-09 Service Options Sheet

Service: **Recording and Public Records Research**
 Dept: Management Services
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BCC Service Priorities: **1, 3**
 Fund: **124** Dept. Org ID: **5540110**
 Dept. Priority: **5** of **12**
 Fund Priority: **12** of **46**

Executive Summary

The County Clerk is responsible for the filing, recording and indexing of deeds and mortgages of real property, contracts, abstracts of judgments, notices of pendency, powers of attorney, liens, and other interests provided by law affecting the title of real property and in regard to the entry of satisfaction and discharge of the same, together with other documents authorized by law to be recorded. The permanent indexing of real property records provides for a permanent record for determining the accurate chain of title for real property. Citizens and businesses rely upon this information in the day-to-day buying and selling of property, as well as examples that include court cases, property taxes, title insurance, etc.

State/Federal Mandate

ORS 205.130, 205.242, 93.620, 93.630

Outcome Measure/s

Reduction in the this program would result in untimely recording and indexing of real property recordings with a direct impact to the public, businesses, and other county departments such as Assessment and Taxation. This is both currently a mandate and supported by its current revenues.

Service Level Descriptions. Level 1 (very bottom) = Threshold Level Below Which Service Cannot Be Provided

X=Funded	Proposed Service Funding >>	Other Funds	Expense	Total General Fund	FTE
		1,901,275	530,347	(1,370,928)	6.00
X Level 1:		1,901,275	530,347	(1,370,928)	6.00

Based on meeting current state mandates. 2007 calendar year recordings were 85,362 with 6 FTE. In 1987 the recordings were 56,282 with 8 FTE. Over the last two decades, the program has been streamlined with the use of technology to meet the higher demands with less staff. Any further reduction would compromise the ability to meet state mandates. General Fund Revenues exceed expenses.

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- "Shall" Mandate
- Related Mandate
- No Clear Mandate
- Highly Leveraged to County provided service (100% return or greater)
- Leverages Funds to County
- Leverages Funding for Citizens and/or Community Organizations

Leverage Details

At the FY 07-08 level of service, the	\$1,901,275	back to the General Fund
GF portion of this program leverages:	\$0	into other County Funds
	\$0	directly or via subcontract to community orgs
	\$0	directly to citizens via services provided

358.50% General Fund Leverage Ratio

For the purpose of this comparison, only include leveraged funds that are dependent on General Fund revenue. Do not include funds that would still be leveraged if the General Fund portion of the service were decreased or eliminated.

Please use this space to explain the Proposed Service Level Funding impact on leverage of the varying levels of service described above.

Recording revenues exceed recording expenses and help support other division expenses, such as elections.