House Bill 2990

Sponsored by Representatives MARSH, PHAM K (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

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Directs Oregon Health Authority to develop and implement grant program to support resilience hubs and networks in Oregon.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to community resilience.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:

(a) “Resilience hub” means a facility serving a local community that is augmented to:

(A) Support the needs of community members, facilitate gathering and communication, distribute resources, reduce environmental impact and enhance quality of life within a community;

(B) Serve as a central point for gathering, information sharing and coordination after a disruption in the community; and

(C) Enhance the ability of a community to respond to and recover from a disruption in a community.

(b) “Resilience network” means an association of facilities or organizations that collectively serve the purposes of a resilience hub.

(2) The Oregon Health Authority shall develop and implement a grant program to provide support for resilience hubs and networks in Oregon by awarding:

(a) Planning grants for expenses related to planning and organizing resilience hubs and networks; and

(b) Implementation grants to support and expand development and operation of resilience hubs and networks.

(3) Individuals or organizations may apply for grants by submitting an application that must include:

(a) A description of the purposes for which grant moneys will be expended;

(b) A plan for implementing specific strategies to build resilience in a community;

(c) A description of additional resources available for purposes of the resilience hub or network; and

(d) Any other information required by the authority by rule.

(4) The authority shall execute grant agreements with grant recipients obligating recipients to use grant moneys for purposes specified by the authority. The authority shall determine the permissible purposes for a grant under this section based on the needs of the resilience hub or network and the locality in which it operates.
(5) The authority shall adopt rules necessary for the administration of this section, including specifying the form and contents of an application for a grant under this section.

SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Health Authority, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of $___ to provide grants under section 1 of this 2023 Act.