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Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Missouri Interpreter Conference & Workshops Program

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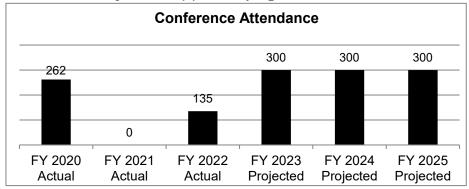
1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

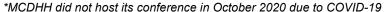
Provide access to professional development for Missouri interpreters

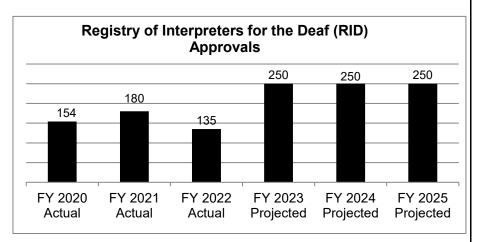
1b. What does this program do?

Missouri Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (MCDHH) hosts the Missouri Interpreters Conference and approves workshops for the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) to help sign language interpreters in Missouri access high-quality professional development resources.

2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.



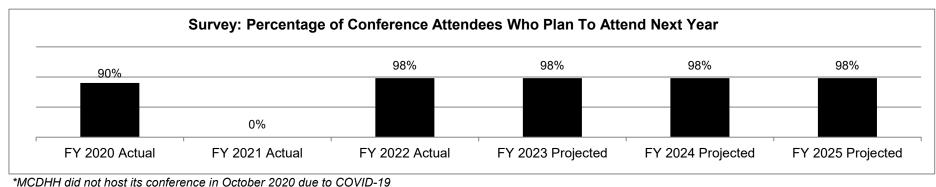




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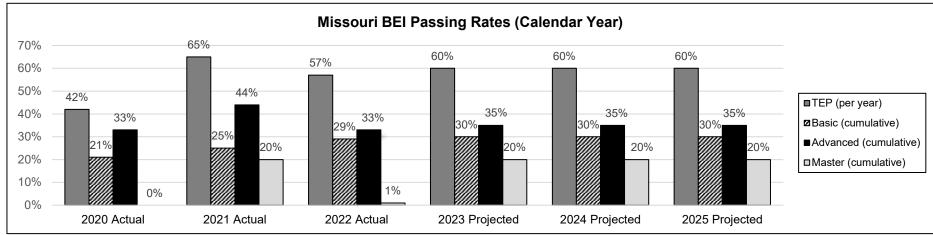
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2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.



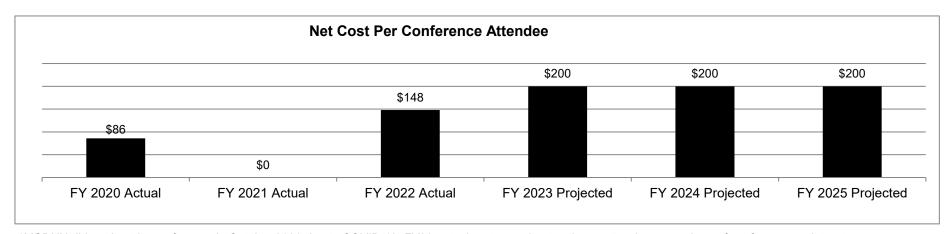
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2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.



^{*}Starting with FY22, TEP testing is only done at the Interpreters Conference.

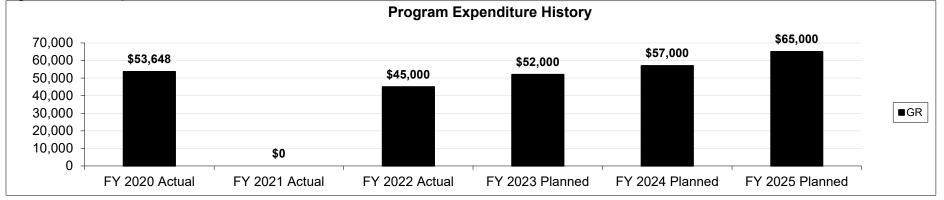
2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.



*MCDHH did not host its conference in October 2020 due to COVID-19; FY22 actual costs are due to a lower attendance numbers of conference registrants and expected increase in expenses due to COVID-19

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3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



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4. What are the sources of the "Other" funds?

There are no other funds. Registration fees and sponsorships offset some of the cost of providing the annual interpreters conference.

5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)

161.405 Commission to function as agency of state - purpose - powers and duties. - The commission shall function as an agency of the state to advocate public policies, regulations and programs to improve the quality and coordination of existing services for deaf and hard of hearing persons and to promote new services whenever necessary. The commission shall:

- (2) Develop a system of state certification for those individuals serving as interpreters of the deaf by:
 - (a) Conducting evaluations:

Mission: Provide effective and efficient leadership, education, advocacy and programs to eliminate barriers and to meet the social, economic, educational, cultural and intellectual needs of Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Deaf Blind Missourians.

6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.

No

7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.

This program is not federally mandated, although Section 504 of the Americans with Disabilities Act requires that sign language interpreters be made available at educational facilities and other public venues across the state.