

# **Budget FAQ**

**Q: What is the projected Tobacco Use Reduction Account (TURA) revenue for the next biennium?**

A: The Oregon Department of Revenue's December 2004 Tobacco Tax revenue forecast projected total Tobacco Tax for the Tobacco Use Reduction Account (TURA) for 2005-07 of \$14,986,588. The December 2004 TURA revenue forecast declined from \$15,183,000 projected in September 2004.

The 2005-07 Governor's budget recommends use of the \$14,986,588 TURA funds for the Department of Human Services – Public Health - Tobacco Prevention and Education Program (TPEP) in the amount of \$5,183,000 and the remainder of \$9,803,588 for the Department of Human Services - Oregon Medical Assistance Plans (OMAP).

The use of the TURA funds in the Department of Human Services is budgeted for 2005-07 in approximately the same distribution between TPEP and OMAP as it was for the 2003-05 Legislatively Adopted Budget.

**Q: What is the level of the Tobacco Use Reduction Account (TURA) revenue projected for the 2005-07 biennium?**

A: The projected amount of TURA revenue in 2005-07, from the December 2004 Oregon Department of Revenue forecast of Tobacco Tax revenues, is \$14,986,588.

**Q: How much Tobacco Use Reduction Account funding is in the Department of Human Services 2005-07 Governor's Budget, and how is it to be utilized in 2005-07?**

A: The DHS 2005-07 Governor's Recommended Budget includes the all of the \$14,986,588 TURA funding. This funding is budgeted for the Tobacco Prevention and Education Program (TPEP) in the DHS- Public Health budget in the amount of \$5.2 million and in the DHS- Oregon Medical Assistance Plan budget in the amount of \$9.8 million.