

Priority:	Safety	Lead Agency:	District Attorney
Program Offer Type:	Existing Operating	Program Contact:	Scott Marcy
Related Programs:	15017		

Frameworks:

Executive Summary

The Neighborhood DA program reviews and issues charging documents on misdemeanor cases, and works with local individual citizens, community groups, neighborhood associations, business associations and law enforcement agencies to identify and develop strategies to combat quality of life crimes.

Program Description

This is a nationally recognized model program for engaging a variety community, business and law enforcement partners in identifying crime issues and developing strategies within a community to combat quality of life crime in neighborhoods.

The Neighborhood prosecutors are strategically located in Gresham, North\Northeast, East, Southeast and the West areas. Specialized prosecutors are contracted with Lloyd Business District and Tri-Met to prosecute misdemeanor crimes specific to those entities.

The program also has one prosecutor assigned to Project Safe Neighborhoods. This project works collaboratively with El Programma Hispano to educate Latino youth and their families about gun crimes and penalties and in developing strategies to reduce gun crimes in neighborhoods and schools.

The program works cooperatively with law enforcement agencies and other public safety partners to review and issue charging documents on misdemeanor cases.

Program Justification

This program works collaboratively with local law enforcement agencies to engage community members, neighborhood organizations, businesses and business associations to identify and develop localized strategies for combating the occurrence of quality of life crimes.

The program also works cooperatively and collaboratively with local law enforcement and other public safety partners to hold offenders who commit misdemeanor crimes accountable for their behavior. These offenders are low risk or low level offenders.

Performance Measures

Two performance measures for this program will be a statistical tracking of the number of Cases Reviewed by the unit and the number of Cases Issued by the unit.

"Cases Reviewed" is defined as the total number of cases that have been submitted to the unit.

"Cases Issued" is defined as the number of cases for which a charging document has been created in that unit.

A third performance measure will be the number of problem solving activities during the calendar year. This measure is still under development.

Summary of last year's program results and this year's expected results

During calendar year 2004 the number of cases reviewed was 8,642 and the number of cases issued was 8,022.

The number of problem solving contacts is partially reported in 2004. Still with 70 percent of the Neighborhood DA's reporting, the number of contacts in 2004 is approximately 7700.

Program Mandate: 2 Mandated Program with Funding/Service Level Choice

ORS 8.665 Prosecuting violations. Upon the issuance of a citation by any person authorized to issue citations for violations, a district attorney shall prosecute the case if it appears that a violation has occurred.

ORS 8.660 Attending court and prosecuting offenses. (1) The district attorney shall attend the terms of all courts having jurisdiction of public offenses within the district attorney's county, and, except as otherwise provided in this section, conduct, on behalf of the state, all prosecutions for such offenses therein.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2005	2005	2006	2006
Personnel	\$638,189	\$523,221	\$712,668	\$409,451
Contracts	\$496	\$173,721	\$496	\$127,602
Materials & Supplies	\$7,289	\$8,006	\$8,914	\$16,553
Internal Services	\$49,036	\$6,455	\$47,095	\$185
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$695,010	\$711,403	\$769,173	\$553,791
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$60,343	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$187,520	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$247,863	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$695,010	\$711,403	\$1,017,036	\$553,791
Program Total:	\$1,406,413		\$1,570,827	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	7.36	3.44
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$5,501	\$0	\$162	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$595,643	\$0	\$355,981
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$115,760	\$0	\$197,810
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$5,501	\$711,403	\$162	\$553,791

Explanation of Revenues

The office will no longer receive BJA grant funds Leadership, Project Safe Neighborhoods and Weed & Seed, and LLEBG funding will be cut sharply again in FY2006. In FY 06 federal revenue for PSN is cut by \$226,176.

Significant Program Changes

Because of cut backs over the past several budget cycles, the Neighborhood DA's now review and issue on misdemeanor cases. In 2004 they reviewed approximately 47% of all misdemeanor cases and issued approximately 53% of all misdemeanor cases in the office.