

Priority: Safety Net Services

Lead Agency: County Human

Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Program Contact: Ray Hudson

Related Programs:

Frameworks: School Aged Policy Framework

Executive Summary

Provides vulnerable children and families with supports to reduce risk factors and increase protective factors affecting substance abuse, school failure, and juvenile crime. Programs are offered where high risk children and families are likely to participate: at public housing facilities, alternative schools, and after school activities.

Program Description

Student assistance services at Helensview and Alpha alternative schools support students who have substance abuse issues. Latino and Asian Youth Leadership programs and a summer day camp for Asian American children provide culturally specific supports. The Program Coordinator develops additional funds and improves coordination with other programs.

Program Justification

The alcohol and drug prevention program supports the Basic Living Needs Priority by providing education, prevention, and early intervention services for children and families who are at high risk for developing substance abuse, school failure and juvenile justice problems. The program aids service recipients by improving their level of functioning in the community.

Evidence-based prevention programs have been demonstrated as among the most cost-effective approaches to protect vulnerable children and families. Research demonstrates that risk and protective factors impact a broad range of outcomes, such as school success/dropout, juvenile crime, substance abuse, and violence. By assessing risk and protective factors in the community and implementing programs shown to reduce risk factors and increase protective factors, prevention reduces multiple problem behaviors and improve outcomes for children and families. Prevention programs are among the best researched interventions available.

This program supports the school aged policy framework by strengthening partnerships with geographic and culturally specific entities and using natural helpers, professionals and cultural mentors to promote developmental assets and academic achievement.

Performance Measures

Number of children and families served in each program

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Satisfaction survey results for culturally specific program participants.

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

The alcohol and drug prevention program funds approximately half these collaborative service levels.

Results will match these outcomes from last year:

Both culturally specific youth leadership groups met weekly with 10-15 youth attending most meetings. The youth defined their own goals and projects. These groups formed two years ago. They are becoming key community youth support and leadership development resources.

24 Asian children received culturally appropriate summer school activities.

Over 75 students at Helensview and Alpha schools received over 500 hours of on-site support services.

Program Mandate:**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2005	2005	2006	2006
Program Expenses				
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$62,311	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$62,311	\$0
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$1,861	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$5,323	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$7,184	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$0	\$69,495	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$69,495	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

\$62,311 in County General Funds as in previous years.

Significant Program Changes