

<b>Priority:</b>	Safety	<b>Lead Agency:</b>	Community Justice
<b>Program Offer Type:</b>	Existing Operating	<b>Program Contact:</b>	Mike King
<b>Related Programs:</b>	50011		

**Frameworks:**

### **Executive Summary**

This Unit performs functions critical to the effective operation of our local criminal justice system by assisting the courts in making prompt and fair jail release decisions, and by supervising released defendants who are awaiting court hearings. During 2004, staff interviewed an average of 1,325 defendants in jail each month (15,900 annually), while Pretrial supervision annually supervised 1,200 offenders released on their own recognizance and awaiting court hearings.

### **Program Description**

The Pre-trial (PRSP) unit provides two essential services: interviewing arrested defendants in jail (Recog staff) and supervising defendants released pre-trial (Pre-trial staff). Recog staffs the jail 24 hours/7 days per week interviewing all defendants in jail with a pending charge. They obtain specific information before deciding whether to release someone prior to court. This is critical in order to minimize unnecessary use of jail beds, while protecting victims, witnesses and the community. PRSP case managers supervise defendants released on their own recognizance and work closely with judges, district attorneys, defense attorneys, and other criminal justice partners. PRSP averages 350 defendants at any one time (1,200 yearly) with an average supervision time of 3.5 months. A primary goal is to get defendants to show up to court.

### **Program Justification**

PRSP contributes to safer communities, reducing criminal behavior, and providing an effective public safety system. A pre-trial assessment tool is used to determine which offenders would benefit from release without sacrificing community safety. All others remain in custody. This system provides a method of sorting offenders in a manner that results in community safety coupled with reduced costs. This unit also manages cases in ways that have been shown to be more effective at lowering new criminal activity than traditional case management (Andrew, 1994). Recog provides coverage for Parole and Probation Officers coordinating the process of holding probation violators in jail.

### **Performance Measures**

- \* Recog: interview 100% of all newly arrested defendants within 3 to 5 hours of being booked into jail.
- \* Pretrial: ensure that at least 80% of defendants released to Pretrial supervision will attend future court hearings.

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

No data available relative to Recog interview timeframes, but we are aware that verification of information took 8 to 12 hours in a limited number of cases. County Auditor's report prepared last year reflected that 81% of offenders released to PRSP appeared for court as scheduled. For 2006 achieve an appearance rate of 85%.

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

Pretrial Release Services became statutory under Oregon Revised Statutes, 135.230 and 135.260, in January 1974. ORS 135.245 requires a judge impose the least restrictive condition necessary to ensure a defendant's later court appearance, and to release persons in custody on their own recognizance unless conditions indicate such release is unwarranted.

**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2005	2005	2006	2006
<b>Program Expenses</b>				
Personnel	\$1,313,866	\$72,150	\$1,481,882	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$49,944	\$0	\$30,215	\$0
Internal Services	\$41,067	\$4,603	\$49,812	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	<b>\$1,404,877</b>	<b>\$76,753</b>	<b>\$1,561,909</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$82,169	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$191,050	\$47,880
Subtotal: Other Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$273,219</b>	<b>\$47,880</b>
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$1,404,877</b>	<b>\$76,753</b>	<b>\$1,835,128</b>	<b>\$47,880</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$1,481,630</b>		<b>\$1,883,008</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	22.00	0.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$3,095	\$0	\$0	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$76,753	\$0	\$0
Other / Miscellaneous	\$540,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$543,095</b>	<b>\$76,753</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Explanation of Revenues**

Program is funded partly with ITAX dollars \$174,438.

**Significant Program Changes**