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| Priority: | Safety | Lead Agency: | Community Justice |
| Program Offer Type: | Existing Operating | Program Contact: | Benjamin Chambers |
| Related Programs: | 50041, 50042, 50055, 50060 | | |
| Frameworks: | School Aged Policy Framework | | |

Executive Summary

Reclaiming Futures is a five-year, foundation-funded system change initiative whose goal is to provide more treatment, better treatment and greater support to help youth with drug and alcohol problems stop using drugs, stop committing crimes and stay in school. The project works with judges, attorneys, probation, schools, and treatment programs to improve the effectiveness and accountability of youth treatment.

Program Description

Reclaiming Futures-Multnomah Embrace (RF) is a systems change initiative that is designed to improve access to treatment and treatment outcomes for delinquent youth. RF's first goal is to promote more treatment for youth: FY 2003 data shows that 95% of youth most likely to reoffend (approximately 65/year) are not even assessed for a drug problem. The County funds a limited number of residential treatment beds for youth, and the amount of culturally-specific care does not meet the need. RF has helped increase treatment for Latinos, and helped create the Communities of Color Partnership, which provides coordinated and culturally appropriate school, employment, mentoring and other services to 80 high-risk youth of color in treatment. RF's second goal is to promote better treatment: RF helped DCHS insert best practice standards into its 2004 contracts; disseminated five new best practice manuals; subsidized training in family therapy; and implemented a standardized assessment instrument. RF's third goal is to promote "more than treatment," by linking youth to responsible adult role models and positive activities.

Program Justification

Reclaiming Futures supports two major safety strategies: early intervention services to juveniles and treatment for drug and alcohol and mental illness. RF has increased access to drug abuse and mental health treatment for delinquent youth and has made treatment more responsive to the unique needs of juveniles so that they do not re-offend. The program is also working to integrate evidence-based practices into the youth treatment system, including making treatment more responsive to a youth's cultural background and connecting youth to pro-social adult mentors. RF has also facilitated the effective collaboration of safety system components. Founded with 39 community organizations, and involving key judges and juvenile system partners, RF is maximizing coordination, data sharing, accountability and the use of evidence based practices among agencies responsible for reducing youth drug use and crime.

Performance Measures

50% of youth who pass through the alcohol and drug treatment system will complete services; for youth completing services in alcohol and drug treatment, 70% will not commit a new criminal offense within 12 months of program discharge.

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

Last year, we launched a diversion program and the Communities of Color Partnership, implemented a standardized assessment, and helped County Human Services insert best practice standards into its treatment contracts. In 2006, we will have re-offense data for youth in these programs and as well as data on the other measures stated above.

Program Mandate: 3 Program Choice but No Funding/Service Level Choice

This is an existing grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Revenue/Expense Detail

| | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| | 2005 | 2005 | 2006 | 2006 |
| Program Expenses | | | | |
| Personnel | \$0 | \$144,343 | \$0 | \$131,507 |
| Contracts | \$0 | \$174,407 | \$0 | \$146,500 |
| Materials & Supplies | \$0 | \$34,778 | \$0 | \$15,329 |
| Internal Services | \$0 | \$31,985 | \$0 | \$28,701 |
| Subtotal: Direct Exps: | \$0 | \$385,513 | \$0 | \$322,037 |
| Administration | \$0 | \$0 | \$18,438 | \$2,909 |
| Program Support | \$0 | \$0 | \$53,497 | \$19,814 |
| Subtotal: Other Exps: | \$0 | \$0 | \$71,935 | \$22,723 |
| Total GF/non-GF: | \$0 | \$385,513 | \$71,935 | \$344,760 |
| Program Total: | \$385,513 | | \$416,695 | |
| Program FTE | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.50 |
| Program Revenues | | | | |
| Indirect for dep't Admin | \$13,273 | \$0 | \$13,464 | \$0 |
| Other / Miscellaneous | \$0 | \$385,513 | \$0 | \$322,037 |
| Program Revenue for Admin | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Total Revenue: | \$13,273 | \$385,513 | \$13,464 | \$322,037 |

Explanation of Revenues

The program is entirely funded through March 2007 by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, provided progress is acceptable to the Foundation.

Significant Program Changes

In November 2004, project sites received a final version of a new evaluation model which refocuses sites on tracking youth through the treatment system.