

Program # 21009 - Youth Gang Prevention

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Priority: Safety
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs: 50015

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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Youth Gang Prevention Services offer community based, culturally and gender specific prevention services to youth who are at highest risk of gang membership, or who are already involved with gangs but have not yet entered the juvenile justice system.

This program is linked to DCJ Program Offer #50015 and is a collaboration among DSCP, DCJ, DCHS, and the community.

Program Description

Youth Gang Prevention Services target 13-21 year old African American, Asian, Native American, and Latino, and female youth and their families with the following risk factors: gang and criminally involved family and friends; early onset of delinquent behaviors; ATOD use; mental health issues; academic failure; and, lack of social and economic opportunities.

Services are client specific and may include: ATOD and mental health treatment; school retrieval and retention; pro-social skill building activities; employment readiness and placement; basic needs; legal assistance; case management; linkage and referral to support services; and flexible client service funds. All services are provided from a culturally and gender specific approach.

Program Justification

Youth Gang Prevention Services address Safety Indicators - Reported index crime per 1000 persons, Citizen perception of safety, and % of juveniles convicted of a crime who commit additional crimes, and meet Safety Strategy 2 - Safety system components work effectively together, Strategy 3 - Engage relevant communities in defining public safety need and developing crime prevention and protection programs, Strategy 4 - Intervene early to keep juveniles out of the public safety system, and Strategy 5 - Treat drug/alcohol addition and mental health issues.

Services provide resources for families and communities to effectively intervene early in gang related behaviors. Early intervention is critical: recent research by OSU indicates that 20% of youth offenders commit 80% of the juvenile offenses, and that most of this 20% are "early bloomers" who committed crimes before the age of 15.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY04-05)	Current Year Purchased (FY05-06)	Current Year Estimate (FY05-06)	Next Year Offer (FY06-07)
Output	Youth to be served	201	246	450	450
Outcome	Youth served reduce their gang related juvenile justice system involvement	0%	0%	0%	50%
Outcome	Youth served increase school attendance	0%	0%	0%	50%
Outcome	Youth served reduce substance abuse	0%	0%	0%	50%

Performance Measure - Description

A planning process to refocus the County's youth gang prevention services investment was conducted in the past year. Two outcome measures were selected - reduce gang related juvenile justice system involvement and increase the resilience of those served. Interim measures for these outcomes include: reduce delinquent and violent gang related acts; increase school attendance; decrease behavioral referrals; improve social competence; prepare and place youth in employment; increase parent effectiveness; and, treat substance abuse and mental health issues. A Spring RFP will select new providers. Thus, specific performance measurements are not available at this time.

Legal/Contractual Obligation**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2006	2006	2007	2007
Personnel	\$63,670	\$40,000	\$60,691	\$0
Contracts	\$783,442	\$153,418	\$1,006,693	\$64,000
Materials & Supplies	\$1,442	\$0	\$1,840	\$0
Internal Services	\$24,834	\$2,145	\$10,296	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$873,388	\$195,563	\$1,079,520	\$64,000
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$12,467	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$65,206	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$77,673	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$873,388	\$195,563	\$1,157,193	\$64,000
Program Total:	\$1,068,951		\$1,221,193	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.69	0.00
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$1,836	\$0	\$0	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$195,563	\$0	\$64,000
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$1,836	\$195,563	\$0	\$64,000

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund - Based on current service level. Includes services formerly budgeted in the Department of County Human Services (\$218,000) and in the Department of Community Justice (\$484,464).

Fed/State Fund- Based on current level of funding from grantors

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #21004, Gang Prevention Services

The current County General Fund cost in this program offer as been increased by 3.5% of contracted services to reflect the inflation factor related to maintaining services at current service level. The amount of COLA to be passed on included in this program offer is \$10,288 and will be passed through to community based providers via their FY07 contract.