

Program # 50023A - Juvenile Detention Services - 48 Beds

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Priority: Safety
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs: 50014, 50015, 50019, 50021

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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Juvenile detention protects the public by removing youth who are a public safety risk from the community and holding youth who may flee to avoid court proceedings. Detention is an essential resource for police, judges, and probation officers. In 2004, there were over 2,900 episodes of youth who were brought to detention. This offer funds 28 rental beds for neighbor counties, and this revenue leverages an additional 20 beds for Multnomah youth.

Program Description

In detention, youth who are a safety risk are held in a secure and structured environment and provided with education, behavior change counseling and other programs that reduce community victimization. The facility has a total 191-bed capacity. Decisions to hold a youth are based on risk (using a standardized risk tool) and agreed upon policy over-rides. As a result, detention is used with maximum efficiency: admissions are made only when necessary (because a youth represents a safety threat or a flight risk) and the facility is nearly 100% utilized at its current 80 operating beds.

This offer would fund facilities costs, intake and admissions and operation of three 16-bed units, totaling 48 beds. Multnomah County has long-term contractual agreements with Clackamas and Washington Counties guaranteeing twenty-eight detention beds. These agreements were entered into at the time the detention facility was in development, providing capital and construction cost supports and generating annual income. Twenty-eight beds hold Clackamas and Washington male and female youth, and twenty hold the balance of high public safety risk Multnomah County youth. Housing Washington, Clackamas and Multnomah County youth together maximizes the efficient use of beds, provides flexibility to make classification decisions based on age, gender, types of crime, and enables detention staff to address an increasing population of youth with mental health diagnoses in addition to criminal behavior. This offer also includes funds for detention alternatives in the community, such as shelter beds, community monitors and electronic monitoring.

Program Justification

The availability of forty-eight detention beds is essential to the county's juvenile justice system and to its public safety strategies. Detention holds youth responsible for their actions by detaining youth who are dangerous or who are unlikely to return to court. It also serves as a consequence for youth who violate probation. In detention, youth attend school and behavior change programs which are aimed at preventing youth from committing new crimes. DCJ operates detention in a way that supports collaboration among system partners and assures fair and equitable treatment. For ten years, DCJ, judges, the DA, police and community partners have pioneered nationally recognized detention reform innovations that have reduced minority over-confinement. These efforts have saved the county over \$2 million a year by safely diverting lower risk juveniles out of detention and into less costly community alternatives: last year, 95% of youth who were released from detention returned for court proceedings.

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	Number of detention episodes annually.	2,976	0	2,614	2,500
Outcome	Percent difference in rate of detained anglo & minority youth.	7%	2%	9%	6%
Output	Number of youth represented by detention episodes annually.	2,158	0	1,908	2,000
Outcome	Percent of youth released on referral who appeared at hearing.	95%	0%	0%	95%

Performance Measure - Description

Data on youth who appear for hearing is obtained from annual report; current reporting data will be published in early summer 2006. Number of detention episodes and youth represented by detention episodes are new measures, therefore there are no figures for Current Year Purchased. Output measures are not scaled because offers 50023A/50023B are necessary to operate the facility at current capacity. These measures reflect total number of detention episodes and youth detained when

both offers are purchased.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Detention is authorized under ORS 168.740-168.770. Multnomah County is contractually obligated to provide detention beds to Washington and Clackamas Counties.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2006	2006	2007	2007
Personnel	\$4,860,230	\$218,031	\$4,307,333	\$197,513
Contracts	\$269,010	\$150,276	\$338,766	\$189,800
Materials & Supplies	\$224,248	\$122,579	\$200,487	\$101,071
Internal Services	\$2,621,958	\$50,757	\$2,377,660	\$29,870
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$7,975,446	\$541,643	\$7,224,246	\$518,254
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$488,934	\$132,637
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$1,386,906	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$1,875,840	\$132,637
Total GF/non-GF:	\$7,975,446	\$541,643	\$9,100,086	\$650,891
Program Total:	\$8,517,089		\$9,750,977	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	45.48	2.22
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$22,530	\$0	\$19,994	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$1,224,045	\$525,489	\$1,662,435	\$493,701
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$16,152	\$0	\$24,553
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$1,246,575	\$541,641	\$1,682,429	\$518,254

Explanation of Revenues

This program is funded by county general fund \$7,809,739; state Juvenile Crime Prevention Basic \$206,258; state Oregon Youth Authority Diversion \$200,563; USDA reimbursement for meals \$86,880; and detention pay phone revenue \$24,553. During the construction of the Donald E. Long Center, Multnomah County entered into long-term agreements with Washington and Clackamas Counties for guaranteed bed availability of 28 beds. Clackamas County prepaid \$750,000 capital costs to guarantee 12 beds through June 30, 2013. Clackamas County leases 14 beds annually generating \$754,413 annually to the general fund. Washington County entered into a sublease agreement to pay the construction costs of 26 beds and pay \$153,609 annually to the general fund. Washington County contracts for 14 beds guaranteed through 2016 generating \$754,413 annually to the general fund.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #50036, Juvenile Detention Services

The contracted food service reflects an increase for cost per meal, although the number of meals has not changed. The food contract will be re-bid in fiscal year 2006, so the estimated cost was increased for the 2007 budget.