

**Priority:** Basic Needs  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating  
**Related Programs:** 50023A, 50023B, 21023A

**Lead Agency:** School and Community  
**Program Contact:** Mary Li

**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

Runaway Youth Services provide 24/7 crisis line, shelter, support services, and gender specific transitional housing for youth age 12-17 years who have runaway, and their families.

This program is a collaboration among DSCP, DCJ, and DHS and is linked to DCJ offers 50023A & B.

**Program Description**

Runaway Youth Services include: Crisis Line - 24/7 youth and family help that serves as central access point for services. Telephone intervention and face-to-face, drop-in intervention is available. This is the only community based resource for runaway youth and their families in the County.

Emergency shelter - shelter and emergency assistance in 11 bed co-ed group home. Services provide overflow capacity for DHS foster care youth. Youth are provided with food, safety, medical care, transportation, and hygiene.

Support Services/Case Management - intake, assessment, individual service plan targeting family reunification, mental health counseling, and family mediation.

Gender Specific Transitional Housing - 2 beds for girls in single gender group home.

**Program Justification**

Runaway Youth Services meet BLN Strategy 1 - Provide intervention and coordination of services that meet basic needs, Strategy 3 - Assure care for vulnerable members of the community, and Strategy 5 - Assist vulnerable populations in obtaining permanent and livable housing.

When families are able to appropriately raise their children at home, community resources aren't depleted, and those children are more likely to reach their full academic potential, avoid involvement with juvenile justice, and stay out of foster care.

**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 served in emergency shelter	275	260	260	260
Outcome	Youth served return home or exit to other stable housing	91%	80%	80%	80%
Output	Youth served in crisis intervention	765	750	750	750

**Performance Measure - Description**

Shelter services operate within a 72 hours intervention timeline. Research shows that the longer a young person is separated from their family (where no abuse is present), the worse expectations there are for eventual reunification and further penetration into the child welfare system.

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

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
<b>Program Expenses</b>	2006	2006	2007	2007
Personnel	\$12,442	\$0	\$13,521	\$0
Contracts	\$382,609	\$203,738	\$396,000	\$203,738
Materials & Supplies	\$342	\$0	\$504	\$0
Internal Services	\$16,369	\$0	\$2,388	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	<b>\$411,762</b>	<b>\$203,738</b>	<b>\$412,413</b>	<b>\$203,738</b>
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$4,924	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$45,170	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$50,094</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$411,762</b>	<b>\$203,738</b>	<b>\$462,507</b>	<b>\$203,738</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$615,500</b>		<b>\$666,245</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.16	0.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$203,738	\$0	\$203,738
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$203,738</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$203,738</b>

**Explanation of Revenues**

General Fund - based on current service level

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

**Significant Program Changes**

**Last year this program was: #21010, Homeless and Runaway Youth**

The current County General Fund costs 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 included in this program offer is \$13,391 and will be passed through to the community based providers in their FY07 contract.