

Program # 50022B - Juvenile Summer Youth Program

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Priority:SafetyLead Agency:Community JusticeProgram Offer Type:New ProgramProgram Contact:Thach Nguyen

Related Programs: 50010, 50013, 50014, 50015, 50018, 50040

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Summer Youth program, a component of the juvenile Accountability Program, provides work opportunity and life skills training to approximately 125 high and medium risk youth on probation each summer. These activities provide productive alternatives that re-engage youth in positive activities, structure their time and reduce the chance that they will be involved in anti-social activities while school is out. The program also meets an unmet employment and skill-building need for probation youth, who cannot be served elsewhere.

Program Description

During the summer, more than 125 male and female probation youth receive a stipend in exchange for performing work in the community. Youth gain experience in house construction, landscaping and other jobs. They also perform clean-up and maintenance work for schools, parks, neighborhoods and low-income housing facilities, through organizations such as Friends of Trees and the Rockwood Housing Authority. While in the program, youth attend skill-building groups, where they learn to make good decisions, manage anger, resolve conflicts and avoid violence. The \$90,000 budgeted for this program supports stipends provided to participating youth and pays for on-call staff to supervise youth working in the community.

Program Justification

The Summer Youth program keeps youth from becoming further involved in the justice system by occupying their time during the summer with work opportunities that develop their skills and employment experience, and that provide legitimate, earned income. It also provides maintanence work that restores the community and helps delinquent youth meet restitution obligations to victims, while attending evidence-based skill building classes that reduce delinquent behavior.

This program meets an unmet employment and skill-building need for probation youth. Barriers such as juvenile justice involvement, prior violent behavior, out-of-home placement, mental health issues and other problems prevent many high and medium-risk youth from being served at traditional youth employment agencies. Because the program is supervised by DCJ staff, who are experienced at working with high risk youth and managing encounters between them, youth (many of whom are gang-involved) feel more safer participating in the Summer Youth program than they do in other community-based programs.

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 who participate in program	0	0	0	130
Outcome		0	0	0	0

Performance Measure - Description

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	
Program Expenses	2006	2006	2007	2007	
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$90,000	\$0	
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$90,000	\$0	
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$5,284	\$1,429	
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$15,623	\$0	
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$20,907	\$1,429	
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$0	\$110,907	\$1,429	
Program Total:	\$0		\$112,336		
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Program Revenues					
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Explanation of Revenues

This is funded by county general fund.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: