

Priority: Basic Needs

Lead Agency: County Human Services

Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

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Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Domestic Violence (DV) Victim Services & Coordination provides in-person services for 5,300 victims and children, phone crisis intervention for 17,000 callers, and coordination of multi-jurisdiction government and community responses to domestic violence. The victim services continuum of care includes: crisis intervention, short- and long-term housing and support, legal advocacy and culturally specific services. Research shows that many of these core services reduce re-assault of victims. Additional projects include supervised visitation, advocacy for Child Welfare clients, enhanced response to dangerous offenders, job-training, evaluation of "housing first" model, training, and assessment of and problem-solving for the broader community response to domestic violence.

Program Description

Domestic Violence is a significant community problem, and accounts for 50% of reported violent crime and for 30% of homicides in the county. The county expends at least \$10 million in criminal justice costs (jail, prosecution and probation supervision), and DV costs the community \$10 million in lost wages, health care and other costs.

Services funded include: Centralized access and crisis response (17,000 calls); safe emergency shelter and supportive services (1,000 women and children); civil legal advocacy insuring safety after separation (2,500 victims); mobile advocacy and rent assistance with supportive services (700 women and children); and culturally specific services for Latinas, Russians, African Americans, Native Americans, immigrants/refugees, victims escaping the sex industry and sexual minorities (750 women and children). Evidence-based practices include emergency shelters, shown to reduce the incidence of re-assault by 50%, and civil legal services, shown to reduce homicides. This program offers includes grant-funded projects providing stability and safety for victims: increased education/vocation opportunities, collaborative response to high risk offenders (DV Enhanced Response Team); augmented services for victims and their children involved in the Child Welfare system or who have mental health or substance abuse problems.

Coordination efforts include staffing of the Family Violence Coordinating Council to provide a forum for collaborative efforts such as training, policy development and implementation, program development and problem-solving. The 39 member organizations include all segments of the criminal justice system, victim services, health care, batterers intervention and others. In addition, staff work with County and City of Portland staff and community organizations on issues related to DV intervention and prevention.

Program Justification

This program aligns with the Basic Needs priority by providing intervention and coordination of services that meet basic needs in a culturally competent manner, ensuring care for vulnerable members of the community through coordination of services and promoting healthy behaviors by empowering victims to escape DV and increase self-sufficiency through advocacy, education and support. Recent data indicate that victims receiving services through this program face extreme levels of danger (average 12 of 19 on validated Danger Assessment tool) and high levels of housing instability (with 63% moving 3 or more times in 6 months). It aligns with County Resolution 00-149 (Domestic Violence Policy) and the City/County 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness to increase income and stabilize participants in permanent housing.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY05-06)	Current Year Purchased (FY06-07)	Current Year Estimate (FY06-07)	Next Year Offer (FY07-08)
Output	Number of victims and children receiving services*	5,450	5,520	5,450	5,300
Outcome	Clients who develop safety plans by exit**	58.0%	75.0%	75.0%	90.0%
Outcome	Participants who remain in stable housing at 6-months***	80.0%	65.0%	70.0%	70.0%

Performance Measure - Description

 **Measure Changed**

Data from Service Point. *in-person services funded by CGF, HUD and SHAP only. Reduction in this year's offer due to increasing cost of and decreasing availability of permanent housing. **In-person, excluding civil legal advocacy.

***Transitional housing only.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

CGF primarily funds Multnomah County RPF #P06-8706 Domestic Violence Programmatic Services. Grant funded services must meet all government-required goals, outcomes, and reporting requirements. HUD funding requires a \$51,240 cash match.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2007	2007	2008	2008
Program Expenses				
Personnel	\$168,919	\$388,715	\$183,169	\$593,582
Contracts	\$1,160,639	\$850,166	\$1,227,292	\$1,188,891
Materials & Supplies	\$141,917	\$422,013	\$120,970	\$460,876
Internal Services	\$28,063	\$57,187	\$20,352	\$96,169
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$1,499,538	\$1,718,081	\$1,551,783	\$2,339,518
Administration	\$13,980	\$0	\$8,364	\$0
Program Support	\$82,051	\$1,043	\$189,529	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$96,031	\$1,043	\$197,893	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,595,569	\$1,719,124	\$1,749,676	\$2,339,518
Program Total:	\$3,314,693		\$4,089,194	
Program FTE	2.05	4.67	2.18	7.49
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$9,085	\$0	\$28,778	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$2,500	\$0	\$3,000
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,600,581	\$0	\$2,226,018
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$115,000	\$0	\$110,500
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$1,043	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$9,085	\$1,719,124	\$28,778	\$2,339,518

Explanation of Revenues

The program is funded with a mix of fed/state grants (\$2,294,660) which comprise 58% of the funding (HUD, Byrne, DOJ,CDC). County general funds (\$1,499,283) comprise 39% and other sources (\$150,150) comprise the remaining 2% (City of Portland and a United Way grant). This Program Offer includes a 3% inflationary increase of \$33,167 over FY07 for the County General Fund portion of contracted client services.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was:

#25043-ALT:Domestic Violence Housing Services;#25044-ALT:Domestic Violence Community-Based Services; #25045-ALT:Domestic Violence Coordination and Special Projects; #25046A-ALT:Domestic Violence Crisis/Centralized Access Line. This offer combines 07 funded offers. Funding is increased for purchase of annual ServicePoint license for mandatory Homeless Management Information System, and Byrne grant funding to enhance to domestic violence victims with mental health or substance abuse problems. Last year's Performance Measures found in ALT#25043 and #25044-ALT are incorporated in this year's measures. ALT@25046A Performance Measures: # Callers: 05-06 actual 17,300; current year purchased 13,000, current year estimate 17,000.

Increase of 3.0 FTE from FY07 reflects increase in grant funding (Byrne and CDC).