

Program # 25123 - Youth Gang Prevention

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Priority: Safety Lead Agency: County Human Services

Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program Contact: Mary Li

Related Programs: 50014, 50015

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Youth Gang Prevention (YGP) supports community based, culturally, and gender specific prevention services to approximately 460 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. Services tailored to individual needs prevent entry into or reduce further involvement with the juvenile justice system for up to 70% of youth served.

This program is linked to Program Offers #50014 and #50015, and is a collaboration among DCHS, DCJ, and the community.

Program Description

YGP serves 11-18 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; Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug (ATOD) use; mental health issues; academic failure; and, lack of social, and economic opportunities.

Through contract with five community based culturally specific non-profits, service packages are tailored to individual clients, culturally and gender specific, and may include: ATOD and mental health treatment; school retrieval and retention; pro-social skill building activities; employment readiness and placement; basic needs; case management; linkage and referral to support services; and flexible client service funds. Monthly system/joint case staffing meetings ensure seamless referrals between the juvenile justice system and community based providers.

Program Justification

YGP addresses, from a community partnership approach, the County's Safety Priority: "I want to feel safe at home, school, work, and play". Services provide resources for families and communities to effectively intervene early in gang related behaviors. OSU research 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.

YGP contributes to Safety Indicators: "Reported index crime per 1000 persons", "Citizen perception of safety", and "% of juveniles convicted of a crime who commit additional crimes" by direct intervention with youth and their families who are gang impacted or involved, and at greatest risk for continued delinquency.

As a collaboration among DCHS, DCJ, and the community, YGP directly relates to Safety Strategy 2: "Safety system components work effectively together", and Strategy 6: "Engage relevant communities in defining public safety need and developing crime prevention and protection programs". YGP directly contributes to Safety Strategy 3: "Intervene early to keep juveniles out of the public safety system", current performance shows up to 70% of youth served do not enter or reduce their involvement with the juvenile justice system. As a part of the YGP program model, 100% of youth are screened for addiction and mental health issues and are referred for assessment and treatment, contributing to Safety Strategy 4: "Treat drug/alcohol addition and mental health issues".

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	# of youth served	0	0	460	580
	% of youth served who avoid/reduce juvenile justice system involvement	0.0%	0.0%	70.0%	75.0%
Outcome	% of youth served who increase school attendance	0.0%	0.0%	70.0%	75.0%
Outcome	% of youth served who increase pro-social skills	0.0%	0.0%	60.0%	80.0%

Performance Measure - Description

Due to system redesign and competitive procurement in FY 06-07, FY 05-06 measures were no longer relevant and no performance measures were available to purchase in FY 06-07. Based upon current performance in the start up year of the system, FY 06-07 estimates and proposed FY 07-08 measures are provided.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2007	2007	2008	2008
Personnel	\$60,019	\$0	\$61,773	\$0
Contracts	\$1,006,693	\$64,000	\$1,037,097	\$64,000
Materials & Supplies	\$1,840	\$0	\$1,937	\$0
Internal Services	\$10,296	\$0	\$8,685	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$1,078,848	\$64,000	\$1,109,492	\$64,000
Administration	\$12,467	\$0	\$40,687	\$0
Program Support	\$65,206	\$0	\$29,484	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$77,673	\$0	\$70,171	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,156,521	\$64,000	\$1,179,663	\$64,000
Program Total:	\$1,220,521		\$1,243,663	
Program FTE	0.69	0.00	0.69	0.00
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$64,000	\$0	\$64,000
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$64,000	\$0	\$64,000

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund- Based on FY07 current operating levels

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

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #21009, Youth Gang Prevention "This Program Offer includes a 3% inflationary increase of \$30,204 over FY '07 for the County General Fund portion of contracted client services".