

Priority: Education **Lead Agency:** County Human Services
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating **Program Contact:** Peggy Samolinski
Related Programs: 25076A, 80003, 25119A, 25145A, 25147A, 25149, 25150A, 25154, 25155, 40024A, 40024B, 25150B, 25119B, 25145B, 25145C, 25147B

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Child Development Services (CDS) serves approximately 720 families, using a nationally recognized, evidence based curriculum, Parents As Teachers. CDS provides services for young children (birth through age 5) and their parents to promote positive parenting, healthy child development and school readiness. Last year, 92% of children served were within a normal developmental stage at the end of the program. Programs include SUN Service System Parent Child Development Services (PCDS), Head Start Health Services and Native American Child Care. These programs align with the Early Childhood Framework and the PCDS program is part of the SUN Service System, a countywide integrated and coordinated system of care for school-aged youth and their families.

Program Description

Child development services provide an evidence based curriculum to 720 families per year. Services include a range of activities designed to promote parent competence and healthy child development to ensure children are prepared to learn. Specific services are: providing age appropriate parent child play groups, parenting education and support services, developmental screening, immunization status checks and follow up, culturally specific child care for parents in residential treatment, and access to other needed social and health services. The Ages and Stages child development screening tool is used to determine developmental stage; those not meeting the relevant stage for their age are referred for further early childhood intervention services. All services are delivered at community sites, as well as in school sites, and are developmental and culturally appropriate. Most utilize the nationally recognized Parents As Teachers (PAT) curriculum.

Program Justification

Child development supports the Education priorities and specifically the request for offer to "support and educate parents and caregivers in preparing children to learn and succeed in school". By providing opportunities for parents to interact with their child in mentored settings with child development specialists they are able to learn healthy and age appropriate parenting skills and manage challenging behavior, while learning ways to support their child and promote school readiness. Such opportunities are critical for families struggling to meet basic needs and who may not have other such opportunities; 70% of families who participated in the program were at or below the Federal Poverty Level.

The Oregon State University's Family Study Center 1998 research shows a strong correlation between a child's immunization status, age-appropriate development, and a parent/caregiver's ability to provide consistent parenting, with kindergarten readiness. School readiness correlates to early academic performance, an indicator of future school success. Likewise school completion impacts adult success in life. Child development programs are an important gateway in this continuum for young children.

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 families served	884	720	720	720
Outcome	% of children up to date on immunizations	99.0%	90.0%	95.0%	95.0%
Outcome	% children screened who are at appropriate developmental stage at exit	92.0%	90.0%	90.0%	90.0%
Quality	% parents who indicate they are satisfied with services	92.0%	80.0%	85.0%	85.0%

Performance Measure - Description

FY05/6 actual exceeded targets. Measures were developed in collaboration with the service contractors and the Oregon State University Family Study Center. Measures are captured at exit from services. Immunization percent and satisfaction percentage target has been increased for FY07-08 to reflect actual results over the past two years.

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	\$36,503	\$0	\$28,083	\$0
Contracts	\$1,155,123	\$177,516	\$1,152,253	\$177,516
Materials & Supplies	\$1,109	\$0	\$1,081	\$0
Internal Services	\$5,967	\$0	\$4,405	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$1,198,702	\$177,516	\$1,185,822	\$177,516
Administration	\$11,122	\$0	\$51,678	\$0
Program Support	\$103,902	\$0	\$45,383	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$115,024	\$0	\$97,061	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,313,726	\$177,516	\$1,282,883	\$177,516
Program Total:	\$1,491,242		\$1,460,399	
Program FTE	0.40	0.00	0.35	0.00
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$177,516	\$0	\$177,516
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$177,516	\$0	\$177,516

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: #21034, Child Development Services

"This Program Offer includes a 3% inflationary increase of \$33,554 over FY '07 for the County General Fund portion of contracted client services".