

Program # 50033 - Adult Field Services-Felony Supervision

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Priority: Safety Lead Agency: Community Justice

Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program Contact: Carl Jaber

Related Programs: 50028, 50030, 50032, 50037, 50040, 50041, 50043

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Adult Field Services felony supervision enhances community safety by supervising over 7700 adults on probation and parole, changing their behavior and reducing the risk they will re-offend. Adult Field Services felony supervision is effective; both the probation and parole recidivism rates are below the state-wide average and the parole recidivism is more than 10% below the national average. (This program offer reflects increased state SB 1145 funds -- replacing last year's investment of \$1.8M in general fund -- which result from a new statewide community corrections funding formula which more fully accounts for local costs for supervision, sanctions and treatment services.)

Program Description

Felony supervision uses research-based strategies to supervise over 7,700 felony offenders on probation and parole, enforce law-abiding behavior and link them to treatment, employment and other housing services. Parole officers maintain close contact with offenders through home and office visits, contacts with family, community members, treatment providers, and coordination with police agencies. Felony supervision addresses the factors in an offender's life that fuel criminal activity (drug use, mental illness, anti-social attitudes and life-style instability) using evidence-based interventions and punishes violations through a range of community based sanctions and jail. Specialized units work with gang members, sex offenders, mentally ill female and psychopathic offenders. Parole officers work closely with the US Marshals Service to apprehend high-risk fugitives and Portland and Gresham police to interdict new criminal activity. The County's felony supervision unit has been nationally recognized for its evidence-based strategies, including the development of a one-of-a-kind system to identify potentially violent offenders and tailor supervision strategies to meet the risks they pose.

Program Justification

Adult felony supervision is an essential part of the public safety system -- 95% of prison inmates return to the community, where they must complete post-prison supervision. Felony supervision reduces the risk that these offenders will commit new crimes. The re-offense rate for Multnomah County offenders (29.1%) is lower than State average (32%), even though Multnomah County's case load is comprised of a 35% greater share of high risk offenders. Since DCJ began integrating the use of evidence-based practices into felony supervision 10 years ago (including prioritization of high and medium-risk offenders through a Streams of Offender approach and the use of targeted interventions designed to change offender behavior and prevent future criminal activity), re-offense rates have dropped dramatically (from 38% to 29%).

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	Average number of offenders field supervised.	7,700	8,000	8,100	8,500
Outcome	Percent of parolees who did not recidivate.	70.9%	70.0%	70.9%	70.0%
Outcome	Percent of probationers who did not recidivate.	79.5%	75.0%	79.5%	75.0%

Performance Measure - Description

Recidivism is measured by a three year felony conviction rate. Recidivism data reflect cohorts who entered supervision three years ago. Current year estimate based on previous year actual due to lack of DOC reporting for this cohort.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

ORS 423.478 requires that "counties, in partnership with the department (of Corrections), shall assume responsibility for community-based supervision, sanctions and services for offenders convicted of felonies who are:(a) On parole; (b) On probation; (c) On post-prison supervision." Counties may opt-out of community supervision, but only if state funding falls below baseline; currently it does not.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	
Program Expenses	2007	2007	2008	2008	
Personnel	\$494,229	\$9,195,673	\$227,416	\$11,163,434	
Contracts	\$0	\$52,986	\$750	\$76,614	
Materials & Supplies	\$1,820	\$106,525	\$4,816	\$185,334	
Internal Services	\$0	\$1,308,023	\$0	\$1,715,962	
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$496,049	\$10,663,207	\$232,982	\$13,141,344	
Administration	\$768,751	\$0	\$777,967	\$0	
Program Support	\$1,939,748	\$415,216	\$2,077,795	\$418,574	
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$2,708,499	\$415,216	\$2,855,762	\$418,574	
Total GF/non-GF:	\$3,204,548	\$11,078,423	\$3,088,744	\$13,559,918	
Program Total:	\$14,282,971		\$16,648,662		
Program FTE	24.00	103.00	3.57	120.43	
Program Revenues					
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$465,887	\$0	\$699,394	\$0	
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$1,005,000	\$0	\$890,351	
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$9,658,207	\$0	\$12,250,993	
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Revenue:	\$465,887	\$10,663,207	\$699,394	\$13,141,344	

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund \$232,982; State Department of Corrections (DOC)\$12,233,548; Probation Supervision fees \$885,351; Drug testing fees \$5,000; Federal Project Safe Neighborhood grant \$17,445.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #50030A, Adult Field Services - Felony Supervision

This program offer includes a 3% contract inflation adjustment of \$750. This program offer includes two scaled offers from 2007: 50030A Adult Field Services-Felony Supervision; and 50030B - a scaled offer requesting one-time-only general fund backfill to state funds. For FY 2008, that backfill has been restored to state revenue sources.