

Priority: Safety
Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Lead Agency: Sheriff
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Executive Summary

This program will provide the Sheriff's Office booking facility with a digital recording system to replace the outdated VHS tape system. Recording activity in the booking area provides evidence to mitigate risk claims against the County and increases safety of arrestees and staff through constant monitoring and documenting. The new system adds cameras, improves quality of recordings, has more storage and access capabilities, and requires less maintenance. This is a one time only investment.

Program Description

The current recording system in the Sheriff's Office booking facility is comprised of four cameras with poor multidirectional audio and uses VHS tapes. These tapes must be changed every 24 hours. The proposed new system will allow digital recordings from 20-25 cameras. Each camera will have its own audio microphone to produce a superior audio and video recording. Recording would be done directly onto hard-drives and record continuously for at least 30 days.

This system also provides "Remote Access" whereby a digital copy of any recorded video can be placed on a secure drive on the MCSO network. From there, it can be viewed from any MCSO computer that has been set up with prior authorization and current password. This provides a convenient way to view any requested video.

Program Justification

The new Oregon State Administrative Rules states "(54) Jail Monitoring Records: Records include audio and video recordings of prisoners booked into the jail facility. Video recordings are also made during inmate altercations and incidents where the Corrections Emergency Response Team (CERT) members are utilized for inmate control. These recordings typically contain footage of use of force that are used in staff training sessions, but may also serve as evidence in criminal proceedings."

Booking staff often receive requests from attorneys to view booking procedures. These recordings can mitigate potential risk claims against the County. This new system will ensure compliance with the new Oregon State Administrative Rules and that legal proceedings are provided with requested materials.

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 | Subpoena attorney requests for video | 0 | 0 | 0 | 48 |
| Outcome | % of subpoena requests where no video tape was available | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 5.0% |

Performance Measure - Description

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

| | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Program Expenses | 2007 | 2007 | 2008 | 2008 |
| Capital Outlay | \$0 | \$0 | \$98,700 | \$0 |
| Subtotal: Direct Exps: | \$0 | \$0 | \$98,700 | \$0 |
| Administration | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Program Support | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Subtotal: Other Exps: | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Total GF/non-GF: | \$0 | \$0 | \$98,700 | \$0 |
| Program Total: | \$0 | | \$98,700 | |
| 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

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #60037, MCSO Digital Booking Recording System