

Priority: Safety
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs: 50030, 50031, 50032, 50033, 50034, 50035, 50036, 50037, 50039
Lead Agency: Community Justice
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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

By providing services to 2,900 high risk and violent adult offenders (including psychopaths and predatory sex offenders) newly released from custody, Transition Services Unit (TSU) reduces the offender's risk to re-offend by providing housing, medical benefits and access to mental health and drug treatment.

Program Description

In addition to providing stabilizing services after release, TSU also works with offenders to provide re-entry planning up to 120 days prior to their release through in-custody interviews (Reach Ins). Potential risks are identified during the Reach In allowing for the development of appropriate supervision plans and services which are in place by the time of the offender's release. By meeting with the offenders prior to their release, TSU has reduced the abscond rate for Post Prison releases in Multnomah County to less than one percent.

Program Justification

TSU supports the safety priority by initiating supervision planning prior to an offender's release from custody and working to ensure the offender has some measure of stability upon their release. Research shows an offender is most likely to re-offend within the community at the time of release from prison (re-entry) due to the culture shock of transitioning from an extremely controlled environment to one where they are able and required to make decisions for themselves. Offenders who have access to stable housing and supportive services at re-entry have a much lower re-arrest rate, lower drug use and a greater likelihood of employment (Vera Institute of Justice 2004).

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY06-07)	Current Year Purchased (FY07-08)	Current Year Estimate (FY07-08)	Next Year Offer (FY08-09)
Output	Average number of offenders served annually	2,900	3,000	2,900	2,900
Outcome	Percent of offenders with reach-in services who report within 14 days of prison.	99.0%	99.0%	99.0%	99.0%

Performance Measure - Description

Legal/Contractual Obligation

SB 913 covers offenders incarcerated while receiving Social Security Income and released within 12 full calendar months from the date of incarceration. It also covers offenders who have never received SSI, but meet the criteria based on a mental illness or who were incarcerated while receiving SSI, but have been incarcerated over one year.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2008	2008	2009	2009
Personnel	\$369,898	\$52,758	\$420,782	\$10,475
Contracts	\$60,744	\$0	\$60,756	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$46,748	\$86,464	\$46,554	\$100,103
Internal Services	\$25,078	\$11,194	\$43,595	\$8,183
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$502,468	\$150,416	\$571,687	\$118,761
Administration	\$38,061	\$0	\$36,078	\$0
Program Support	\$133,178	\$20,486	\$136,448	\$19,287
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$171,239	\$20,486	\$172,526	\$19,287
Total GF/non-GF:	\$673,707	\$170,902	\$744,213	\$138,048
Program Total:	\$844,609		\$882,261	
Program FTE	4.50	0.63	5.00	0.13
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$8,006	\$0	\$5,893	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$7,000	\$0	\$11,928	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$150,416	\$0	\$118,761
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$15,006	\$150,416	\$17,821	\$118,761

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund \$559,759; Transitional Housing Rental Revenue \$11,928 deposited to General Fund; State Department of Corrections \$93,990; State Prisoner Pre-Release Re-Entry Initiative Grant \$11,250; USDA Meal Reimbursement \$13,521.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #50029, Adult Transition & Re-Entry Services