

Priority: Safety
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs: 50032, 50039, 50045, 50046A
Lead Agency: Community Justice
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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

In 2004, approximately 1.4 million drivers were arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol or narcotics. This is an arrest rate of 1 for every 139 licensed drivers in the United States (NHTSA [National Highway Traffic Safety Administration], 2004). The Enhanced Bench Probation Program (EB) monitors over 3,200 adult offenders who have 1-3 convictions for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII) and have been placed on an enhanced bench probation which is supervised by the court. EB staff provides monitoring of these cases by tracking each case for police contacts and reporting these contacts to the Judge supervising the case.

Offenders who have been convicted of Felony DUII offenses are supervised by a Probation/Parole Officer (PPO) who enforces law-abiding behavior and links the offender to treatment, employment and other services. The PPO uses evidence-based practices to address factors in the offender's life that lead to their criminal activity. On average, this PPO supervises 75 offenders per year.

Program Description

EB currently monitors 2,959 offenders who have failed to successfully complete the DUII Diversion program, or are ineligible for diversion. Twenty percent of those offenders are high-risk multiple DUII offenders participating in Judge Bloch's DUII Intensive Supervision Program.

Defendants supervised by EB are entered into the statewide computer system known as the Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) following their conviction. If the EB offender has any type of police contact, an electronic notification is sent to EB staff directly from the street officer. EB staff research the nature of the contact and once that has been determined, sends a report to the supervising judge summarizing the police contact. On average, EB supervises 3,000 cases annually. During 2007, this unit generated 1,053 reports to the court and collected over \$194,000 in monthly monitoring fees.

Offenders convicted of Felony DUII are supervised by a PPO who uses evidence-based practices to hold the offender accountable, enhance public safety and promote long term behavioral change. These practices include risk and needs assessments to manage the offender's risk within the community and collaborative work with treatment providers, family members, employers and community members.

Program Justification

The strong collaboration between this program, the courts and law enforcement has a direct effect on public safety. The ability of the EB unit to monitor the activities of offenders allows the courts to effectively supervise these cases and address violations in a timely manner. EB is instrumental in holding bench probation clients accountable by serving as a beneficial connection between law enforcement and the courts. For offenders who continue drinking and driving and are convicted of Felony DUII, the DUII PPO provides supervision, surveillance, access to treatment and related services as well as swift and appropriate sanctions for violations of supervision conditions.

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	Number of offenders served annually	4,000	3,291	3,200	3,300
Outcome		0	0	0	0
Output	Number of offender/police contacts reported to the Courts	1,189	1,100	982	1,100

Performance Measure - Description

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2008	2008	2009	2009
Personnel	\$0	\$316,428	\$0	\$327,420
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,862
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$28,258	\$0	\$28,471
Internal Services	\$0	\$43,540	\$0	\$44,212
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$0	\$388,226	\$0	\$401,965
Administration	\$22,619	\$0	\$21,070	\$0
Program Support	\$80,273	\$12,150	\$81,260	\$11,229
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$102,892	\$12,150	\$102,330	\$11,229
Total GF/non-GF:	\$102,892	\$400,376	\$102,330	\$413,194
Program Total:	\$503,268		\$515,524	
Program FTE	0.00	4.00	0.00	4.00
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$20,662	\$0	\$19,949	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$286,410	\$0	\$291,048
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$101,816	\$0	\$110,917
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$20,662	\$388,226	\$19,949	\$401,965

Explanation of Revenues

Enhanced Bench Probation fees \$283,048; Probation Supervision fees \$8,000; State Department of Corrections (DOC) funds \$110,917.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #50051, Addiction Services - DUII Supervision and Enhanced Bench Services