

**Priority:** Safety  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating  
**Related Programs:**

**Lead Agency:** Sheriff  
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**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

The citizens of Oregon have designated certain activities to be regulated to facilitate a safe and livable community. Through an alarm permitting program, burglar alarms are regulated to ensure validity of the alarm and reliability of alarm equipment.

**Program Description**

The False Alarm Reduction Program regulates burglary and robbery alarms in unincorporated Multnomah County, and through collaborative contracts with east Multnomah County cities. Alarm regulation increases the probability that police respond to a valid alarm, saving scarce Public Safety resources. False alarm penalties promote good equipment maintenance technology.

**Program Justification**

Protecting property through criminal apprehension is an important tool to feeling safe at home, work, school, and play. False alarm response is a non-productive use of police time and resources. Properly functioning alarms promote safety through quick police response and increased probability of holding offenders accountable. Citizens using alarms partner with police to promote safety in their community, resulting in a feeling of safety for citizens in their homes and businesses.

**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 alarm events	2,590	1,048	2,590	2,590
Outcome	Number of false alarms dispatches completed	1,574.0%	0.0%	1,574.0%	1,574.0%
Output	Number of alarm permits issued	681	5,834	681	681

**Performance Measure - Description**

 **Measure Changed**

Number of false alarms dispatches completed is a new measure, replacing percentage of alarms that are false alarms.

## Legal/Contractual Obligation

Alarm permitting is mandated in Unincorporated by MCC 15.703 and contracts with the cities of Gresham, Troutdale, Fairview, Wood Village and Maywood Park.

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
<b>Program Expenses</b>	2008	2008	2009	2009
Personnel	\$0	\$101,448	\$0	\$78,539
Contracts	\$0	\$145,572	\$0	\$175,940
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$2,566	\$0	\$2,566
Internal Services	\$0	\$31,414	\$0	\$30,355
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$281,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$287,400</b>
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Total GF/non-GF:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$281,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$287,400</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$281,000</b>		<b>\$287,400</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$12,155	\$0	\$11,490	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$155,500	\$0	\$153,000
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$125,500	\$0	\$134,400
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$12,155</b>	<b>\$281,000</b>	<b>\$11,490</b>	<b>\$287,400</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

\$19,000-Alarms Late Fees.  
\$134,000-Alarms Permits.  
\$134,400-Alarm Fines.

## Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #60028, MCSO Alarm Program