

Program # 25040A - Domestic Violence Victims Services and Coordination

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Priority: Basic Needs Lead Agency: County Human Services

Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program Contact: Chiquita Rollins

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Domestic Violence (DV) Victim Services & Coordination provides in-person services for 5,100 victims and children, management of grant-funded projects and coordination of multi-jurisdiction government and community responses. Research shows that these core services reduce re-assault of victims, and help reduce the 50% of reported violent crime that is DV.

Program Description

The county expends at least \$10 million in criminal justice costs (jail, prosecution and probation supervision) annually, and DV costs the community another \$10 million in lost wages, health care and other costs. In the past five years, the high level of collaboration supported by this offer has brought over \$5 million in Federal funds to our community.

Services funded in this offer include: Centralized access and crisis response (17,000 calls); safe emergency shelter and supportive services (800 women and children); civil legal advocacy insuring safety after separation (2,500 victims); mobile advocacy and rent assistance with supportive services (800 women and children); and culturally specific services for Latinas, Russians, African Americans, Native Americans, immigrants/refugees, victims escaping the sex industry and sexual minorities (750 women and children). Evidence-based practices include emergency shelters, shown to reduce the incidence of re-assault by 50%, and civil legal services, shown to reduce homicides.

This program offer also includes grant-funded projects that serve an additional 310 victims: increased education/vocational opportunities, collaborative response to high risk offenders (DV Enhanced Response Team or DVERT); augmented services for victims and their children involved in the Child Welfare system or who have mental health or substance abuse problems; and safety-focused supervised visitation for children. DVERT has reduced recidivism of the high risk offenders in DVERT by 30% and increased victims safety and confidence in the criminal justice system.

Coordination efforts include staffing of the Family Violence Coordinating Council to provide a forum for collaborative efforts such as training, policy and program development and implementation, and system-wide problem-solving. The 40 member organizations represent the criminal justice system, victim services, health care, batterers intervention and others. In addition, staff work wi

Program Justification

This program aligns with Basic Needs priority by providing intervention and coordination of services in a culturally competent manner, ensuring care for vulnerable members of the community through coordination of services and promoting healthy behaviors by empowering victims to escape DV and increase self-sufficiency through advocacy, education and support. Recent data indicate that victims receiving services through this program face extreme levels of danger (average 12 of 19 on validated Danger Assessment tool) and high levels of housing instability (with 63% moving 3 or more times in 6 months). It aligns with County Resolution 00-149 (Domestic Violence Policy) and the City/County 10-Year Plan to End Homelessness to increase income and stabilize participants in permanent housing.

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 victims and children receiving services	5,000	5,300	5,100	5,100
	Participants who remain in stable housing at 6-months*	67.0%	70.0%	67.0%	70.0%
Outcome		0	0	0	0

Performance Measure - Description

Data from Service Point. Reduction in this year's offer due to better data which allows us to report more accurately an unduplicated count and decreasing availability and higher cost of permanent housing. *Transitional housing only. Have deleted Outcome: % clients who develop safety plan at exit.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

CGF primarily funds Multnomah County RPF #P06-8706 Domestic Violence Programmatic Services. Grant funded services must meet all government-required goals, outcomes, and reporting requirements. HUD funding requires a \$51,240 cash match, included in this offer.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds		
Program Expenses	2008	2008	2009	2009		
Personnel	\$182,313	\$684,352	\$188,952	\$581,906		
Contracts	\$1,227,292	\$1,188,891	\$1,200,194	\$947,086		
Materials & Supplies	\$120,970	\$460,876	\$143,716	\$372,181		
Internal Services	\$20,352	\$102,669	\$39,001	\$99,564		
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$1,550,927	\$2,436,788	\$1,571,863	\$2,000,737		
Administration	\$8,364	\$0	\$13,617	\$0		
Program Support	\$189,529	\$0	\$171,981	\$0		
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$197,893	\$0	\$185,598	\$0		
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,748,820	\$2,436,788	\$1,757,461	\$2,000,737		
Program Total:	\$4,18	\$4,185,608		\$3,758,198		
Program FTE	2.18	7.49	2.13	6.93		
Program Revenues						
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$33,199	\$0	\$20,027	\$0		
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$3,000	\$0	\$0		
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$2,323,288	\$0	\$1,890,237		
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$110,500	\$0	\$110,500		
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Total Revenue:	\$33,199	\$2,436,788	\$20,027	\$2,000,737		

Explanation of Revenues

The program is funded with a mix of federal & state grants (\$1,840,237) which comprises 52% of the funding. County general funds (\$1,571,863) comprise 44% of the funding, of which \$51,480 is matched. Local sources (\$160,500) comprise the remaining 4% (City of Portland and United Way).

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #25040A, Domestic Violence Victim Services & Coordination

This program offer no longer includes any funding for abused prostituted women. Funding for this population in 2003 was \$450,000, and was reduced almost every year. The contractor informed the County that they would no longer be able to provide services for such a limited level of funding (\$62,000 in CGF).

This Program Offer includes a 3% inflationary increase of \$14,917 over FY08 for the County General Fund portion of contracted client services.