

**Priority:** Basic Needs **Lead Agency:** County Human Services  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating **Program Contact:** Chiquita Rollins  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:** One-Time-Only Request, Backfill State/Federal/Grant

**Executive Summary**

Safe Supervised Visitation in Domestic Violence (DV) cases provides safety-focused visitation and exchange for 100 DV cases referred by Family Court. Visitation or child exchange is one of the most dangerous situations for DV victims and their children. This one-time-only funding will provide bridge funding as federal funds are decreased.

**Program Description**

For the last six years, the County has received US Department of Justice funding to provide safety-focused supervised visitation for domestic violence victims and their children. This highly successful project is a collaboration among the DV Coordinator's Office, the Family Violence Coordinating Council, the Family Court, the YWCA (contractor for supervision services) and other agencies involved in DV or child abuse intervention.

Supervision services are provided at the Gateway Social Services Building and are designed to provide a high level of safety for custodial and non-custodial parents, children, and staff at the facility. Safety measures include a dedicated security guard who wands each non-custodial parent to assure that no weapons are brought into the facility, internal and external cameras which provide images to the security guard, procedures which assure that the non-custodial parent has no opportunity to confront or have contact with the custodial parent (staggered arrival and departure times for example), extensive pre-visit assessment of level and types of danger, and other procedures. In addition, victim services are available that are intended to assist the victim in utilizing the supervised visitation services (maintaining stability, safety planning related to visits/court cases, transportation issues, referrals to other needed services).

The one-time-only funds requested will be used to assist the contractor during year one of the expected two-year renewal grant. The federal funder has reduced the level of financial support by at least \$50,000 over two years. During year one of the upcoming grant cycle, the contractor (YWCA) will be seeking additional funds (state, federal or private) to make up the expected loss of funding. If they are not successful, we will be planning with them for a reduced level of services while maintaining the high level of safety with reduced funds.

**Program Justification**

This offer aligns with Basic Needs priority by providing intervention and coordination of services and ensuring care for vulnerable members of the community. Safety-focused supervised visitation addresses a very high risk situation, in which victims and children have been killed. The Family Court in Multnomah County is very supportive of this service and find it an invaluable aid in their work with families. This bridge funding will assure that the program continues at its current level of services.

**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	# families receiving supervised visitation	80	100	100	100
Outcome	Percent of additional funding required to maintain current service level during year 2	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%

**Performance Measure - Description**

Outcome measure: It is expected that by the end of 2009, the YWCA and/or other partner agencies will have raised or identified sources for the additional \$25,000 to maintain the program at its current level of services for year 2.

**Legal/Contractual Obligation**

Must adhere to Department of Justice rules and policies related to the Safe Haven grants.

**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2008	2008	2009	2009
<b>Program Expenses</b>				
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$0
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>	<b>\$0</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>\$0</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Program Total:	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$30,000</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Explanation of Revenues**

County General Funds requested

**Significant Program Changes**

Last year this program was: