

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
Program Expenses	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:	\$0	\$281,000	\$0	\$287,400
Administration	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Program Support	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$281,000	\$0	\$287,400
Program Total:	\$281,000		\$287,400	
Program FTE	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
Program Revenues				
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
Total Revenue:	\$12,155	\$281,000	\$11,490	\$287,400

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