

**Priority:** Safety  
**Program Offer Type:** Administration  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:**

**Lead Agency:** Community Justice  
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**Executive Summary**

The Department of Community Justice (DCJ) focuses on public safety by reducing both criminal activity and victimization. The Director's Office provides policy, program and fiscal direction to DCJ, and ensures that DCJ is accountable to County residents, the Board of County Commissioners and system partners. The Director's Office provides direction and support to staff that enhance public safety by changing behavior, providing treatment, promoting rehabilitation for young people, and helping offenders transition back into the community from incarceration.

The state Department of Corrections monitors six outcome measures for county community corrections departments. Of these six county outcome measures, DCJ saw improvements and maintains good outcomes in five out of six indicators. In the last year, DCJ's juvenile division recidivism rate was at its lowest rate in six years, with recidivism falling more sharply than the statewide average.

**Program Description**

The Director's office is responsible for daily operational management of a large urban community justice agency that supervises approximately 8,500 adult probationers and parolees and nearly 1,000 youth on formal and informal community supervision. In addition, the Director's office oversees a juvenile detention facility and the overall Department's fiscal management of more than \$84 million in County, State, federal and private grant funds. Collaborating with partner agencies is an essential part of developing public safety policies and coordinating efforts to make the Department more culturally diverse and competent. The Director's staff implement his directives and keep the Board of County Commissioners, our partners and the public up-to-date on our public safety strategies.

**Program Justification**

The Director's office is closely aligned with the County's public safety and accountability strategies. The Director's office educates and informs the public about DCJ services, performance outcomes and their impact on the community. Over the last decade the Director's Office has guided policies that have reduced crime, promoted rehabilitation, reduced spending, and reduced racial and ethnic disparities in the juvenile justice system. The Director's Office improves the entire system by providing oversight and direction to county probation, post-prison and juvenile services. It also provides leadership that fosters a progressive environment that values evidence-based practices. Finally, the office efficiently manages the Department budget and DCJ services by continuously evaluating success rates and cost effectiveness.

**Performance Measures**

| Measure Type | Primary Measure   | Previous Year Actual (FY07-08) | Current Year Purchased (FY08-09) | Current Year Estimate (FY08-09) | Next Year Offer (FY09-10) |
|--------------|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Output       |   | 0                              | 0                                | 0                               | 0                         |
| Outcome      | Percent of adult parolees who did not recidivate                            | 72.0%                          | 70.0%                            | 72.0%                           | 75.0%                     |
| Outcome      | Percent of adult probationers who did not recidivate                        | 75.0%                          | 75.0%                            | 75.0%                           | 78.0%                     |
| Outcome      | Percent of youth probationers who did not recidivate one year post referral | 83.0%                          | 85.0%                            | 84.0%                           | 85.0%                     |

**Performance Measure - Description**

Juvenile recidivism is measured by new criminal referral. Adult recidivism is measured by a three year felony conviction rate. Recidivism data is reflected for those adult offenders who entered supervision three years ago. The 'Current Year Estimate' is based on the 'Previous Year Actual' figures due to the lack of DOC reporting for this period.

## Legal/Contractual Obligation

## Revenue/Expense Detail

|                           | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds | Proposed General Fund | Proposed Other Funds |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
|                           | 2009                  | 2009                 | 2010                  | 2010                 |
| <b>Program Expenses</b>   |                       |                      |                       |                      |
| Personnel                 | \$515,507             | \$0                  | \$547,411             | \$0                  |
| Contracts                 | \$72,514              | \$0                  | \$127,154             | \$0                  |
| Materials & Supplies      | \$151,593             | \$0                  | \$96,953              | \$0                  |
| Internal Services         | \$22,096              | \$0                  | \$31,301              | \$0                  |
| Subtotal: Direct Exps:    | <b>\$761,710</b>      | <b>\$0</b>           | <b>\$802,819</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>\$761,710</b>      | <b>\$0</b>           | <b>\$802,819</b>      | <b>\$0</b>           |
| Program Total:            | <b>\$761,710</b>      |                      | <b>\$802,819</b>      |                      |
| Program FTE               | 4.00                  | 0.00                 | 4.00                  | 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 Fund

## Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #50000, DCJ Director's Office