

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

Lead Agency: Community Justice
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Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Enhanced Bench Probation Program (EB) promotes public safety by monitoring over 3,200 adult offenders who have 1-3 convictions for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII). EB staff monitor these cases by tracking each case for police contacts and reporting these contacts to the Judge supervising the case. Offenders who have been convicted of Felony DUII offenses are supervised by a Parole/Probation Officer (PPO). The PPO uses evidence based practices to address factors in the offender's life that lead to criminal activity. Under this program, a PPO supervises 75 offenders per year.

Program Description

EB currently monitors approximately 3,000 offenders who have failed to successfully complete the DUII Diversion program, or are ineligible for diversion. Twenty percent of these offenders are high-risk multiple DUII offenders participating in the DUII Intensive Supervision Program.

Defendants supervised by EB are entered into the statewide computer system known as the Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) following their conviction. If the EB offender has any type of police contact, an electronic notification is sent to EB staff directly from the street officer. An EB staff researches the nature of the contact and once that has been determined, sends a report to the supervising judge.

On average, EB supervises 3,200 cases annually. During 2008, this unit generated over 1,000 reports and collected over \$194,000 in monthly monitoring fees (Total General Fund expenditure on this program in the last budget cycle was \$102,000).

Offenders convicted of Felony DUII are supervised by a PPO who administers risk and needs assessments to help evaluate and manage the offender. The PPOs also collaborate with treatment providers, family members, employers and community members in order to increase an offender's success rate with probation.

Program Justification

About 1 for every 139 licensed drivers in the United States are arrested for a DUII offense (National Highway Traffic Safety Administration - NHTSA, 2004). In order to promote public safety, there is a need for a strong collaboration between this program, the courts and law enforcement around DUII offenders. The ability of the EB unit to monitor the activities of offenders allows the courts to effectively supervise these cases and address violations in a timely manner. EB is instrumental in holding bench probation clients accountable by serving as a beneficial connection between law enforcement and the courts. With this program, offenders convicted of Felony DUII will continue to access to treatment and related services while being under supervision and surveillance.

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	Number of offenders served annually	3,250	3,291	3,275	3,300
Outcome		0	0	0	0
Output	Number of offenders/police contacts reported to the courts	1,021	1,100	1,043	1,100

Performance Measure - Description

The annual number of offenders depends on prosecution and sentencing, decisions by the Courts and the District Attorney.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
	2009	2009	2010	2010
Program Expenses				
Personnel	\$0	\$327,420	\$0	\$341,311
Contracts	\$0	\$1,862	\$0	\$2,485
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$28,471	\$0	\$2,898
Internal Services	\$0	\$44,212	\$0	\$48,748
Subtotal: Direct Exps:	\$0	\$401,965	\$0	\$395,442
Administration	\$21,070	\$0	\$17,085	\$0
Program Support	\$81,260	\$11,229	\$73,804	\$10,578
Subtotal: Other Exps:	\$102,330	\$11,229	\$90,889	\$10,578
Total GF/non-GF:	\$102,330	\$413,194	\$90,889	\$406,020
Program Total:	\$515,524		\$496,909	
Program FTE	0.00	4.00	0.00	4.00
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$19,949	\$0	\$23,942	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$291,048	\$0	\$279,029
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$110,917	\$0	\$116,413
Program Revenue for Admin	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue:	\$19,949	\$401,965	\$23,942	\$395,442

Explanation of Revenues

Enhanced Bench Probation fees \$268,529; Probation Supervision fees \$10,500; State Department of Corrections (DOC) funds \$116,413.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #50049, Addiction Services - DUII Supervision and Enhanced Bench