

Lead Agency: County Human Services

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Youth Gang Prevention (YGP) supports community based, culturally, and gender specific prevention services to young people and their families at highest risk of gang membership, or who are already involved with gangs but have not yet entered the juvenile justice system. Services are subject to the provisions of a Strategic Plan for a Comprehensive and Coordinated Response to Youth and Gang Violence, which is currently in process by Multnomah County's Local Public Safety Coordinating Council (LPSCC).

Approximately 100 young people and their families will be served. It is expected that 90% of these youth served increase their academic achievement, and avoid or reduce subsequent juvenile justice system involvement.

Program Description

The refocused Youth Gang Prevention will serve approximately 100 African-American, Asian, Native American, Latino, female youth, and their families, annually. Young people served will have one or more of the following risk factors: gang and criminally involved family and friends; early onset of delinquent behaviors; Alcohol, Tobacco, & Other Drugs (ATOD) use; mental illness issues; academic failure; and, lack of social and economic opportunities.

In response to the LPSCC systems redesign, a procurement process will be conducted to select community based providers able to deliver a specific intensive family support and intervention program model. The identified program model is a proven best practice successful in intervening with these young people and families.

By utilizing a specific, proven best practice model that provides intensive family focused support and intervention, services will be delivered that are culturally and gender specific, as well as tailored to individual client needs. Services will include: ATOD and mental health assessment and referral to treatment; school retrieval and retention; pro-social skill building activities; employment readiness and placement; basic needs; case management; linkage to support services; and, flexible client service funds. Monthly system/joint case staffing meetings ensure seamless referrals between the juvenile justice system and community based providers.

Intensive family support and intervention has been proven effective in successfully reducing or eliminating gang related behaviors. OSU research indicates that 20% of youth offenders commit 80% of juvenile offenses, and that most of this 20% are "early bloomers" who committed crimes before the age of 15.

YGP prioritizes this exact population in relationship to gang involvement, youth violence and juvenile delinquency.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY08-09)	Current Year Purchased (FY09-10)	Current Year Estimate (FY09-10)	Next Year Offer (FY10-11)
Output	# of youth served	617	580	580	100
Outcome	% of youth served who avoid/reduce juvenile justice system involvement	97.0%	70.0%	97.0%	90.0%

Performance Measure - Description

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2010	2010	2011	2011
Personnel	\$90,916	\$0	\$96,498	\$0
Contracts	\$233,426	\$64,000	\$232,785	\$51,923
Materials & Supplies	\$2,431	\$0	\$3,049	\$0
Internal Services	\$1,405	\$0	\$2,069	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$328,178	\$64,000	\$334,401	\$51,923
Program Total:	\$392,178		\$386,324	
Program FTE	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$64,000	\$0	\$51,923
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$64,000	\$0	\$51,923

Explanation of Revenues

\$51,923 OCCF Youth Investment Fed
 \$334,401- County General Fund

Significant Program Changes

✔ Significantly Changed

Last year this program was: #25123, Youth Gang Prevention

Reduction in County General Fund of approximately \$1 million dollars has significantly reduced the number of youth to be served. Program model will also change in FY 10-11 due to system redesign planning process conducted by LPSCC.