

### Program # 50010 - DCJ Response to Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children

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**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating

**Related Programs:** 

**Program Characteristics:** 

#### **Executive Summary**

This three year project addresses the need to combat the commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) by providing a victim-centered coordinated response in Multnomah County through a victim advocate, coordinated efforts and Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)-provided training. The goals of OJJDP are to recognize exploited youth and youth at risk for exploitation; effectively investigate and prosecute cases against adults who exploit children and youth; and intervene appropriately with and compassionately serve victims, including providing essential services. The Department of Community Justice (DCJ) Community Response to CSEC is a collaborative project with the Portland Police Bureau, the Sexual Assault Resource Center (SARC), Multnomah County Sheriff's Office Anti-Trafficking Task Force, the FBI, the State of Oregon Department of Human Services and other community providers.

### **Program Description**

The commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) is a growing concern in Multnomah County. Because of its location along the I-5 corridor, Portland has a high prevalence of exploitation of youth. The I-5 corridor is also a known transport artery for illegal drugs which adds to the dangers CSEC victims face. Many runaways from Oregon, Idaho and southwest Washington migrate to downtown Portland, and the high level of unemployment has led to an increase in sex work among homeless/runaway youth as a source of income. Local, state and federal law enforcement agencies in Multnomah County have worked on over fifty sex trafficking cases involving both domestic and international victims. This is believed to be only a fraction of suspected activity in Oregon.

This three year project, grant funded by OJJDP, will improve and build upon the collaborative work being done by Multnomah County partners. Multnomah County faces two main challenges. First, both service providers and law enforcement professionals must be trained to identify and refer victims for assistance. Second, trafficking victims themselves are often unaware they are victims of a federal crime and as such, entitled to benefits. The objectives of the program are 1) to hire a full-time Program Coordinator to improve Multnomah County's response to victims of CSEC; 2) contract with a full-time Program Advocate and volunteers to provide 24-hour crisis responses to an estimated 70 CSEC youth annually; 3) offer CSEC training to a minimum of 250 individuals from at least 50 local agencies; and 4) hold steering committee meetings at least quarterly, so that partners may conduct assessments of service needs and gaps, collect and provide data about the number of CSEC youth within Multnomah County, improve communication and information sharing, and increase investigative resources to look at CSEC cases.

### **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	Number of CSEC youth receiving advocacy services	0	0	0	50
	Percent of youth not returning to trafficking lifestyle during fiscal year	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	60.0%

### **Performance Measure - Description**

New measure.

# **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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$101,665			
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$71,284			
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,700			
Internal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,592			
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$199,241			
Program Total:	\$0		\$199,241				
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00			
Program Revenues							
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$0	\$0	\$12,470	\$0			
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$199,241			
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$12,470	\$199,241			

# **Explanation of Revenues**

US Dept of Justice Grant for Intervention into the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children \$199,241

# Significant Program Changes

## Last year this program was:

New program added during FY 2010. This program offer includes a 1.00 FTE Program Development Specialist Senior position, funded by a grant from the US Dept of Justice which was awarded to DCJ during FY 2010.