

**Lead Agency:** Community Justice

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**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating

**Related Programs:**

**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

Studies have shown that if young people can successfully leave a gang within a year or two of joining, they are likely to avoid a variety of negative life outcomes, including chronic reoffending (Greene and Pranis 2007). The Gang Resource Intervention Team (GRIT) supervises approximately 250 high risk gang affiliated youth offenders. GRIT's work promotes public safety by reducing juvenile crime, preventing disproportionate numbers of minority youth from entering a correctional facility and assisting youth gang members and high risk youth of color to change their lives.

The Chair's Executive budget includes funding for a pilot project. The Youth Thrift Store will provide training and employment for high risk youth who will work in all aspects of the business, using donated items.

**Program Description**

GRIT provides probation supervision to high risk, gang-involved delinquents using strategies that are tailored to each youth's problems, strengths, needs, culture and environmental influences. Public safety requires diverse community collaboration. The Department collaborates with the Department of County Human Services' (DCHS) Youth Gang Prevention Program to provide resources for families and communities that intervene in the lives of gang-related youth. GRIT partners with the police, adult Probation and Parole officers (PPO) and the community to gather intelligence that helps dismantle gang activity. Juvenile probation officers develop individual Probation Case Plans that establish enforceable expectations and address victim restitution. In addition to the case plans the juvenile probation officers create a Safety Plan for gang-involved youth. This is done to provide additional support for the clients.

Along with holding gang youth accountable through specialized supervision and sanctions, GRIT coordinates treatment (e.g. mental health and drug abuse) and interventions designed to address anti-social behavior. Skill building, mentoring, educational advocacy and the incorporation of positive age-appropriate activities are also used to counter gang involvement.

Gang activity continues to be a major concern in Multnomah County. GRIT focuses on the highest risk offenders, utilizing evidence-based interventions to hold youth accountable for their actions. These interventions include: intensive family-based counseling, specialized youth treatment, culturally appropriate services, employment training opportunities, positive peer influences and community support systems.

**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	Percent of positive case closures	61.0%	0.0%	70.0%	70.0%
Outcome	Percent of youth who do not recidivate one year from probation start	56.0%	0.0%	55.0%	60.0%

**Performance Measure - Description**

✔ **Measure Changed**

New measures. Recidivism is measured by new criminal referral. Last year the outcome was "percent of youth not recidivating one year from probation exit."

**Legal/Contractual Obligation****Revenue/Expense Detail**

	<b>Proposed General Fund</b>	<b>Proposed Other Funds</b>	<b>Proposed General Fund</b>	<b>Proposed Other Funds</b>
<b>Program Expenses</b>	2010	2010	2011	2011
Personnel	\$367,043	\$558,935	\$25,000	\$751,726
Contracts	\$200,000	\$397,565	\$50,000	\$582,121
Materials & Supplies	\$14,077	\$11,541	\$11,461	\$11,492
Internal Services	\$92,814	\$90,416	\$106,583	\$74,694
<b>Total GF/non-GF:</b>	<b>\$673,934</b>	<b>\$1,058,457</b>	<b>\$193,044</b>	<b>\$1,420,033</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$1,732,391</b>		<b>\$1,613,077</b>	
Program FTE	4.15	6.36	0.22	7.78
<b>Program Revenues</b>				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$64,084	\$0	\$51,823	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,058,457	\$0	\$1,420,033
<b>Total Revenue:</b>	<b>\$64,084</b>	<b>\$1,058,457</b>	<b>\$51,823</b>	<b>\$1,420,033</b>

**Explanation of Revenues**

County General Fund plus State of Oregon Youth Authority Gang Transition Services (OYA GTS) funds \$728,016; OYA East Metro Enforcement Team \$592,017; OCCF Disproportionate Minority Grant \$100,000

**Significant Program Changes**
 **Significantly Changed**

**Last year this program was:** #50013, DCJ Juvenile Gang Resource Intervention Team

This program offer cuts a 1.00 FTE Juvenile Court Counselor (JCC) position from the FY 2010 current service level. The pilot project funding for the Youth Thrift Store adds \$50,000 to professional services.