

Lead Agency: Community Justice

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Program Offer Type: Program Alternative /

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Mentally Ill Offender (MIO) unit provides supervision services for parole, probation and post-prison offenders who have been diagnosed with a severe and persistent mental illness. The MIO unit works in collaboration with a variety of community partners including but not limited to the Sheriff's Office, the courts, the Department of County Human Services (DCHS), the Local Public Safety Coordinating Committee (LPSCC), treatment providers and most community groups that work with this population. The goal of the MIO unit is to reduce recidivism, enhance community safety and to support the mentally ill offender in achieving stabilization and improved functioning.

Program Description

The MIO unit works to divert offenders with severe mental illness from incarceration and hospitalizations by treating them in the community. By providing these offenders with community-based treatment and with supervision from specially trained Probation and Parole Officers (PPOs) the MIO unit preserves community safety and prevents offenders from having further contacts with the criminal justice system.

The MIO unit seeks to: improve access to appropriate services for people with severe mental illness who are at high risk of criminal justice involvement; reduce jail admissions; reduce hospital admissions; assist offenders in achieving a decent quality of life outside of jails, prisons and hospitals; provide ongoing monitoring and surveillance; and reduce substance abuse and illicit drug use. Research shows that mentally ill offenders are well-served through special programs with officers who are trained in mental health issues (Lurigio 2001). A specialized mental health unit can monitor smaller caseloads, allowing PPOs the ability to work closely with offenders and with the community treatment providers. Roskes and Feldman (1999) note that a good working relationship between PPOs and mental health treatment providers is necessary for the offender to be successful while under supervision.

This program, together with program offer 50034, Adult Offender Mental Health Services, supports public safety by providing supervision and treatment to high and medium risk offenders who require assistance in accessing resources to help them achieve a higher quality of life.

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 offenders who completed mental health treatment	45.0%	0.0%	45.0%	50.0%
Outcome	Percent of offenders not recidivating one year post admit	92.0%	0.0%	89.0%	90.0%

Performance Measure - Description

 **Measure Changed**

New measures. Recidivism is measured by 12 month new felony conviction following current admit date.

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	\$331,391	\$364,122	\$338,336	\$368,199
Materials & Supplies	\$1,780	\$780	\$2,280	\$780
Internal Services	\$45	\$34,082	\$13	\$31,327
Total GF/non-GF:	\$333,216	\$398,984	\$340,629	\$400,306
Program Total:	\$732,200		\$740,935	
Program FTE	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$24,157	\$0	\$25,054	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$398,984	\$0	\$400,306
Total Revenue:	\$24,157	\$398,984	\$25,054	\$400,306

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund plus State Department of Corrections (DOC) \$400,306

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #50030A, DCJ Adult Field Services-Felony Supervision