

Lead Agency: Community Justice

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Family Services Unit (FSU) supervises approximately 350 offenders, of whom 50% have children age seven and under. Several offenders supervised by this unit have children involved in the juvenile system and/or are pregnant women. By collaborating with community partners, including the Juvenile Services Division (JSD), FSU protects children and works to break the cycle of cross-generational antisocial behavior and crime. Integrating supervision, child welfare, the Family Court, benefits assistance, housing, social and health services and addiction treatment allows FSU to efficiently address dynamics that place an entire family at risk.

Program Description

FSU is a unique program which supervises offenders within both the Adult and Juvenile Services Divisions. It is comprised of a multi-disciplinary team of staff from Child Welfare, Health Services, the Department of Corrections and mental health agencies. FSU emphasizes collaboration with other agencies for case planning, resource allocation and efficient service delivery.

The Family Support project (a community-based component of FSU) reduces recidivism of women through accountability, education and training, prioritizing self sufficiency/child welfare, and facilitating access to necessary treatment and/or counseling. FSU supports the County's innovative 'one family/one judge' model, wherein one judge oversees all cases associated with a particular family (everything from adult felony probation to child dependency and juvenile cases). FSU works closely with the Courts and coordinates interventions for the entire family.

By having whole families under one unit, the FSU approach strengthens the family's resistance to future involvement in the criminal justice system. The program successfully defrays long-term child welfare and criminal justice costs associated with intergenerational criminal activity. FSU's strategies are consistent with the results of a RAND Corporation study which indicates parent training, graduation incentives and supervision of delinquents reduces inter-generational crime.

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	68.0%	0.0%	74.0%	74.0%
Outcome	Percent of offenders not recidivating one year post admit	93.0%	0.0%	92.0%	92.0%

Performance Measure - Description

 **Measure Changed**

New measures. Recidivism is measured by 12 months 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	\$1,017,396	\$256,314	\$1,198,761	\$277,405
Contracts	\$2,766	\$620	\$2,766	\$499
Materials & Supplies	\$44,899	\$780	\$45,192	\$780
Internal Services	\$29,532	\$24,071	\$39,523	\$23,661
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,094,593	\$281,785	\$1,286,242	\$302,345
Program Total:	\$1,376,378		\$1,588,587	
Program FTE	10.50	3.00	11.50	3.00
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$17,061	\$0	\$18,923	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$23,500	\$0	\$20,800
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$258,285	\$0	\$281,545
Total Revenue:	\$17,061	\$281,785	\$18,923	\$302,345

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund plus State Department of Corrections (DOC) \$281,545; Probation Supervision Fees \$20,800

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #50033, DCJ Family Supervision Unit