

Lead Agency: County Human Services

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs: 25143, 25145A, 25147, 25149, 25154, 25155, 25156A

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Parent Child Development Services (PCDS) provides services for young children (birth through age 5) and their parents to promote positive parenting, healthy child development and school readiness. In FY 2010, the program served 625 families. PCDS uses a nationally recognized evidence-based curriculum, Parents As Teachers (PAT). This program aligns with the Early Childhood Framework and is part of the SUN Service System, a countywide integrated and coordinated system of care for school-aged youth and their families.

Program Description

Parent Child Development Services include a range of activities designed to promote parent competence and healthy child development to ensure children are prepared to learn. PCDS participants are vulnerable families: 90% of the children participating were children of color; 54% of parents did not have a high school diploma or GED; and two-thirds of adults were not native English speakers.

PCDS creates opportunities for parents to interact with their children in mentored settings with child development specialists. In these settings they are able to build on healthy and age appropriate parenting skills, manage challenging behavior, and learn new ways to support their children and promote school readiness. In addition, PCDS staff broker and refer families for other necessary social support services. This program is critical for families who do not have other such opportunities and who are struggling to meet basic needs.

Specific services include: age appropriate parent-child play groups, parenting education and support services, developmental screening, immunization status checks and follow up, and access to other social and health services. The Ages and Stages child development screening tool is used to determine developmental stage. Children not meeting the relevant stage for their age are referred for early childhood intervention services.

PCDS services are delivered in community and school settings: siting groups in schools helps break down barriers many families have about simply going into school buildings. Services are developmentally and culturally appropriate. The Parents As Teachers curriculum is used as the foundation for intervention with families: the outcomes for participating families are strong. Last year, at the time of exit from the program 95% of children served had up-to-date immunizations and 95% were within a normal developmental stage. Nearly all of the parents (99%) indicated they gained new skills from program participation. Our local results mirror national research showing that involvement in PAT programs increases children's readiness for school.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY09-10)	Current Year Purchased (FY10-11)	Current Year Estimate (FY10-11)	Next Year Offer (FY11-12)
Output	# children served ¹	899	600	792	792
Outcome	% children up to date on immunizations	95.0%	95.0%	95.0%	95.0%

Performance Measure - Description

✓ **Measure Changed**

¹ The output changed for FY11 (and subsequent years), from # of families served to # of children only served. This better accounts for the number of children and larger family sizes that were often hidden in the "families served" number. FY09-10 actual is number of children.

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

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2011	2011	2012	2012
Personnel	\$96,498	\$0	\$98,917	\$0
Contracts	\$1,182,782	\$152,353	\$1,182,782	\$147,961
Materials & Supplies	\$2,303	\$0	\$3,052	\$0
Internal Services	\$19,691	\$0	\$12,171	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,301,274	\$152,353	\$1,296,922	\$147,961
Program Total:	\$1,453,627		\$1,444,883	
Program FTE	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$152,353	\$0	\$147,961
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$152,353	\$0	\$147,961

Explanation of Revenues

\$147,961 – Oregon Commission on Children, Families, and Community - Great Start: Based on FY11 revised budget
\$1,296,922 – County General Fund

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: