

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 200 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 high risk youth of color to change their lives.

Program Description

GRIT provides probation supervision to high risk, gang-involved offenders using strategies that are tailored to each youth's issues, strengths, needs, culture and environmental influences. Public safety requires diverse community collaboration. The Department collaborates with the Youth Gang Prevention Program (from the Department of County Human Services), to provide resources for families and intervene in the lives of gang-related youth. GRIT partners with the police, Adult Parole/Probation 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.

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 all 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. As part of our effort to intervene early in gang violence and reduce the risk of youth becoming involved in gangs, the Department is providing resources to expand access to restorative justice interventions designed to reduce conflict in schools, increase problem solving skills, and ultimately prevent delinquent behavior.

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	Number of youth supervised annually	0	0	200	200
Outcome	Percent of youth not re-adjudicated/convicted within three years of probation start	0.0%	0.0%	69.0%	70.0%

Performance Measure - Description

 **Measure Changed**

Both output and outcome measures are new this year. The 'Number of youth supervised annually' includes youth who are on formal probation, in the process of adjudication, on courtesy supervision, and etc. The outcome measure is based on the felony conviction for the probation youth.

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	\$25,000	\$751,726	\$107,438	\$681,605
Contracts	\$50,000	\$582,121	\$76,000	\$536,993
Materials & Supplies	\$11,461	\$11,492	\$19,006	\$1,820
Internal Services	\$106,583	\$74,694	\$98,953	\$85,291
Total GF/non-GF:	\$193,044	\$1,420,033	\$301,397	\$1,305,709
Program Total:	\$1,613,077		\$1,607,106	
Program FTE	0.22	7.78	1.21	6.79
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$51,823	\$0	\$54,537	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$1,420,033	\$0	\$1,305,709
Total Revenue:	\$51,823	\$1,420,033	\$54,537	\$1,305,709

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund plus Oregon Youth Authority Gang Transition Services (OYA GTS) funds \$755,185. Assuming same level of funding as FY11 Revised Budget as State has not finalized FY11-13 biennial budget at this time; Oregon Youth Authority East Metro Gang Enforcement Team (OYA EMGET) funds \$550,525. Assuming same level of funding as FY11 Revised Budget as State has not finalized FY11-13 biennial budget at this time.

Significant Program Changes**Last year this program was:**

50018 Juvenile Gang Resource Intervention Team (GRIT)

OCCF Disproportionate Grant funding 1 FTE Program Coordinator ends 6/30/2011. This program offer reflects funding that position with General Fund.