

Lead Agency: Community Justice

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Youth Development Services (YDS) provides a continuum of services to connect probation youth with education and employment while developing pro-social skills. Evidence shows these connections and skills contribute to youth becoming successful, self-sufficient, crime-free adults. YDS provides educational assessments, credit recovery, GED preparation/referrals, educational advocacy and connections with local school districts and employment services. Programming includes school reconnection for 180 youth, behavioral and academic school reentry programming for 150 youth, employment readiness training and work experience for 75 youth and cognitive-behavioral skill building courses for 150 youth. All services are geared towards the highest risk youth in the juvenile justice system. As the youth have multiple needs, these service areas are not mutually exclusive.

Program Description

YDS provides structure, supervision, assessment, cognitive behavioral interventions, skill building, educational supports and other services for high risk probation youth who typically are not enrolled in an educational setting and are predominately youth of color. The School Reconnection program addresses evidence that a lack of education is a key factor in whether or not youth are able to leave the justice system successfully. YDS counselors will serve as school liaisons, collaborating with family and other stakeholders to facilitate educational services and appropriate educational placement. A partnership with Multnomah Education Service District provides academic programming to prepare youth for school reentry using regionally-accepted academic assessments, literacy programming and credit retrieval. Cognitive behavioral interventions combined with employment readiness training gives youth the skills necessary to be successful in the community. Day and evening sessions will typically accommodate up to 12 youth for two months.

Budgetary constraints continue to challenge our ability to provide consistent, positive interventions for our highest risk youth. These added components of YDS provide an alternative for addressing over-representation of youth of color in the juvenile system while reducing recidivism. Approximately 55% of our highest risk youth are youth of color. Most of these youth are not enrolled in an educational program. The YDS program provides a structured environment that addresses conflict resolution, cultural awareness, educational advocacy, job readiness training and internship placement.

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 served by School Reconnection Program	185	0	180	180
Outcome	Percent of youth reconnected to school	89.0%	85.0%	88.0%	88.0%

Performance Measure - Description

 **Measure Changed**

The output measure was changed to the 'Number of youth served by School Reconnection Program' this year. Therefore the 'current Year Purchased' was not available or applicable.

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	\$756,189	\$427,769	\$769,418	\$435,373
Contracts	\$42,136	\$0	\$51,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$20,068	\$884	\$25,603	\$702
Internal Services	\$15,886	\$36,390	\$15,102	\$44,370
Total GF/non-GF:	\$834,279	\$465,043	\$861,123	\$480,445
Program Total:	\$1,299,322		\$1,341,568	
Program FTE	7.60	4.20	7.60	4.20
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$29,104	\$0	\$33,380	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$465,043	\$0	\$480,445
Total Revenue:	\$29,104	\$465,043	\$33,380	\$480,445

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund plus Oregon Youth Authority Juvenile Crime Prevention (OYA JCP) funds \$284,080. Assuming same level of funding as FY11 Revised Budget as State has not finalized FY11-13 biennial budget at this time. Funding must be allocated to evidence-based programs; OCCF Juvenile Crime Prevention (OCCF JCP) funds \$27,755. Assuming same level of funding as FY11 Revised Budget as State has not finalized FY11-13 biennial budget at this time. Funding must be allocated to evidence-based programs; Portland Public Schools Grant \$168,610. Agreement ends 6/30/2011 and covers 75% of the personnel costs each for two full-time positions, plus indirect. CGF provides the match for the remaining 25% of the two positions. Anticipating funding to continue under the same terms in FY12.

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

50021 Juvenile Youth Development Services