

Lead Agency: Community Justice

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

By providing reintegration and supportive services for 3000 offenders per year, 1,200 of which are deemed high risk and violent (including psychopaths, predatory sex offenders and persons with special needs), the Transition Services Unit (TSU) reduces the offender's risk to reoffend. Services provided include: housing, access to medical benefits, mental health services and substance abuse treatment. Meeting with the offenders prior to their release ("Reach In") reduces the abscond rate for post-prison releases in Multnomah County to less than 1%.

Program Description

In addition to providing stabilizing services after release, TSU also works with incarcerated offenders to provide re-entry planning up to 120 days prior to their release. This process is facilitated by in-custody interviews, known as "Reach Ins." Potential risks are identified during Reach Ins, allowing for the development of appropriate supervision plans and services which are in place by the time of the offender's release.

TSU supports community safety by initiating supervision planning prior to an offender's release from custody and working to ensure the offender has some measure of stability upon release. Research shows an offender is most likely to reoffend within the community at the time of release from prison (re-entry) due to the culture shock of transitioning from an extremely controlled environment to one that allows and requires people to make decisions for themselves (VERA Institute of Justice 2000). DCJ data shows:

- 1) Clients who receive TSU services have a lower recidivism rate than those without services;
- 2) TSU clients without transitional services are arrested more frequently than TSU clients;
- 3) The overall abscond rate of offenders receiving TSU services is only about 5%; and
- 4) 87% of high risk, high need offenders were able to move into stable housing, obtain employment, complete their GED and/or obtain entitlements if eligible.

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 housing placements made	0	0	3,100	3,100
Outcome	Percent of offenders with reach in services who report within 14 days of release	99.0%	99.0%	99.0%	99.0%

Performance Measure - Description

✔ **Measure Changed**

Output is new.

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	\$460,004	\$0	\$475,567	\$0
Contracts	\$20,462	\$0	\$20,462	\$150,831
Materials & Supplies	\$83,256	\$97,918	\$86,345	\$102,885
Internal Services	\$26,783	\$8,314	\$6,774	\$26,640
Total GF/non-GF:	\$590,505	\$106,232	\$589,148	\$280,356
Program Total:	\$696,737		\$869,504	
Program FTE	5.00	0.00	5.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$6,649	\$0	\$20,246	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$3,500	\$0	\$0	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$106,232	\$0	\$280,356
Total Revenue:	\$10,149	\$106,232	\$20,246	\$280,356

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund plus State Department of Corrections (DOC) \$113,688. Anticipating same level of funding as FY11 Revised Budget as State has not finalized FY11-13 biennial budget at this time. There's some flexibility on how funding is allocated; US DOJ Family Support for Treatment & Re-entry Success Grant \$166,668. Pass-through to Center for Family Success. Award Period is 10/1/2010 - 9/30/2012.

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

50030 Adult Transition and Re-Entry Services

During FY11 this program received a grant from US Department of Justice for Family Support for Treatment & ReEntry Success