

Lead Agency: Community Justice

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Transition Services Unit (TSU) housing program provides offenders returning to the community from prison with stable housing and associated services. In doing so, TSU increases an offender's potential for successful re-entry into the community and reduces the likelihood of reoffending. For the last two years, seven out of ten offenders who utilized this service exited to safe and stable housing.

Program Description

TSU housing provides short- and long-term housing to high risk and disabled offenders newly released from prison who are homeless or have inadequate housing arrangements. This program considers the availability of support services (such as drug and alcohol relapse prevention and group counseling) when determining a housing placement.

TSU housing provides shelter to an average of 252 offenders a day using several community contracted agencies. The staff affiliated with the program develops a long-term housing plan for each offender and works closely with community partners to ensure housing placements are appropriate.

Providing housing to offenders is cost-effective. It costs approximately \$36.50 per day to house an offender in transitional housing, as compared to \$178.00 per day to keep an offender in jail.

Research has shown that stable housing reduces the risk of a person committing new crimes (Petersilia 2003). Without this program people returning to the community from prison run the risk of being homeless, jobless and more likely to return to criminal 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 offenders receiving contracted transitional housing services	1,364	0	1,390	1,400
Outcome	Percent of high-risk offenders that are moving toward self-sufficiency	75.0%	0.0%	68.0%	70.0%

Performance Measure - Description

 **Measure Changed**

Outcome is new.

Self-sufficiency is defined as meeting any one of these three criteria: employed, engaged in a pre-employment apprenticeship, or receiving entitlement benefits.

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	\$733,700	\$0	\$737,721	\$0
Contracts	\$1,518,907	\$309,063	\$1,274,149	\$597,821
Materials & Supplies	\$24,814	\$85,834	\$30,921	\$88,590
Internal Services	\$94,254	\$33,527	\$88,360	\$34,844
Total GF/non-GF:	\$2,371,675	\$428,424	\$2,131,151	\$721,255
Program Total:	\$2,800,099		\$2,852,406	
Program FTE	7.00	0.00	7.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$26,814	\$0	\$26,481	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$428,424	\$0	\$721,255
Total Revenue:	\$26,814	\$428,424	\$26,481	\$721,255

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund plus State Department of Corrections (DOC) \$243,962. Assuming 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; State Alternative Incarceration Program (AIP) \$57,780. Assuming same level of funding as FY11 Revised Budget as State has not finalized FY11-13 biennial budget at this time; State Department of Corrections Subsidy funds \$64,945. Assuming same level of funding as FY11 Revised Budget as State has not finalized FY11-13 biennial budget at this time; State Second Chance Act Grant \$354,568. This grant also includes a general fund match equal to the grant award amount.

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was:

50048 Adult Offender Housing

During FY11 this program received an Oregon State - Bureau of Justice Administration Second Chance Act grant for Housing and Treatment services.