

Lead Agency: Community Justice

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Family Court Services (FCS) helps keep children safe and families stable by providing services to approximately 1,200 high-risk families as they go through separation and divorce and/or dependency proceedings. Family Court Services will implement a new service for this population: the Safe Havens Supervised Parenting Time and Safe Exchange Program. The Office of Violence against Women (OVW) provides funds to support direct supervision and staff training.

Program Description

FCS will provide supervised visitation and safe exchange services to at least 1200 families a year in the tri-county area. The Safe Havens Program will accept community and court referrals; recruit, train and supervise parenting time monitors; and provide free and/or low cost monitored parenting time and safe exchanges for children and families experiencing domestic violence.

Research identifies the period in which a victim leaves a violent relationship as the highest risk period for increased violence or homicide. Recently, Multnomah and neighboring counties have experienced a significant increase in domestic violence homicides involving both victims and children.

Research shows that witnessing domestic violence contributes to children demonstrating depression, aggression, anxiety and school problems. Older children are more apt to tolerate violence and be involved in violent relationships. In addition, child abuse and domestic violence co-occur at an overall rate of at least 40%, making children in these families doubly at risk.

The absence of a safe visitation and exchange program in the tri-county area, the significant increase in local domestic violence homicides involving children, as well as the need to interrupt children's exposure to violence underscores the necessity of developing this vital service.

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 families served annually	0	0	0	1,200
Outcome	Number of security incidents during supervised parenting time or exchange	0	0	0	4

Performance Measure - Description

 **Measure Changed**

New measures.

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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$45,528
Contracts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$76,024
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,766
Internal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,158
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$138,476
Program Total:	\$0		\$138,476	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.45
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$138,476
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$138,476

Explanation of Revenues

US DOJ OVW Supervised Parenting Grant \$138,476. Award Period is 10/1/2010 - 9/30/2012.

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

New Program

This program is funded by a Office of Violence Against Women grant for Supervised Parenting.