

Lead Agency: Sheriff
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

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Executive Summary

This program provides for the investigation of crimes involving the sale, distribution, and manufacturing of dangerous drugs. The Special Investigations Unit is charged with the responsibility for enforcing state narcotics laws, prostitution activities, and assist with advanced surveillance of major criminal cases. The magnitude of each of these investigative areas requires that priorities be established to determine allocation of resources. Enforcement of narcotics laws is so important that first priority within the Special Investigations Unit will be narcotics investigations. Emphasis is placed on narcotics distributors who are suppliers to street level dealers, as well as suppliers to other distributors which are referred to as mid to upper mid level narcotics traffickers. Drug investigations will center on the drugs which are most abused in the Multnomah County. SIU is a local law enforcement resource for investigating and apprehending suspects involved in domestic and/or foreign Human Trafficking of children. *SIU spent the first quarter of FY11 assigned to the Kyron Horman Investigation.

Program Description

The purpose of the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) is to investigate illegal drug activities in the Metro area, and other criminal activity as directed by the Sheriff. The unit conducts criminal investigations of street level illicit drug activity, up to and including the prosecution of federal narcotics crimes. Investigations often lead to Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTO's) that transport and eventually sell dangerous drugs for a profit. SIU investigations take them into areas considered hazardous to health and public safety. Investigations conducted by the SIU detectives have resulted in indictments and prosecutions in numerous meth lab cases. SIU coordinates clean up of drug labs. With the changing needs and priorities of our communities, SIU has modified its mission over the past several years to accommodate the significant impacts of Methamphetamine and other dangerous drugs infesting our neighborhoods, schools, recreational areas and work places. Statistics show that about 90% of all crime can be attributed to dangerous drugs in our community. The SIU program is partially funded through grants, revenues received from forfeitures and federal case funding.

SIU has the responsibility to proactively identify, investigate, prepare the required investigative reports, apprehend the suspect(s), prepare the case for a successful prosecution and testify in court in all cases dealing with illegal drugs and vice activities.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY10-11)	Current Year Purchased (FY11-12)	Current Year Estimate (FY11-12)	Next Year Offer (FY12-13)
Output	SIU drug cases	252	300	182	182
Outcome	Percent of SIU drug cases that are methamphetamine	32.0%	30.0%	50.0%	50.0%
Output	Number of searches	96	110	75	75
Outcome	Percent of searches resulting in an arrest	100.0%	100.0%	99.0%	99.0%

Performance Measure - Description

Data are compiled from an Excel database reported monthly.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2012	2012	2013	2013
Personnel	\$594,522	\$420,938	\$605,747	\$126,626
Contracts	\$0	\$33,722	\$0	\$8,431
Materials & Supplies	\$3,587	\$12,874	\$3,676	\$10,242
Internal Services	\$63,142	\$40,862	\$42,354	\$12,161
Total GF/non-GF:	\$661,251	\$508,396	\$651,777	\$157,460
Program Total:	\$1,169,647		\$809,237	
Program FTE	5.00	2.00	5.00	0.25
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$29,081	\$0	\$9,138	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$478,396	\$0	\$97,460
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$20,000	\$0	\$50,000
Total Revenue:	\$29,081	\$508,396	\$9,138	\$157,460

Explanation of Revenues

Federal Forfeiture share from DEA/FBI/US Marshal - \$30,000
 Auto Auction sales on seized vehicles - \$10,000
 Civil/Local Forfeitures - \$50,000
 Marijuana Eradication Funding - \$8,000

The above amounts are based on what has been received in years previous.

Balance of PDX JAG Grant left to pay for .25 FTE in FY 13 - \$34,079
 Meth JAG Grant through Sept of 2012 - \$25,381

Significant Program Changes

✔ Significantly Changed

Last year this program was: #60067A, MCSO Special Investigations Unit
 In FY 2013, Reduced by 1.75 FTE due to expired grant funding.