

Lead Agency: Community Justice

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

The Low Risk Unit promotes public safety and accountability by annually supervising 80 youth, ages 12-18 years old. By appropriately classifying and supervising youth according to risk, low youth can be held accountable for their actions without further penetrating the Juvenile Justice System. Best practices stipulate the need for low risk youth services to be separate from high risk youth services. The Low Risk caseload focuses on providing access to services and interventions such as community service and project payback.

Program Description

The low risk caseload works in partnership with the youth, family, and the community in holding youth accountable, supporting efforts to repair harm, assisting the youth in creating a healthy identity, and reconnecting the youth to the community in ways that reduce recidivism and support the youth's success. The low risk caseload is designed for youth who are placed on formal probation but are assessed as low risk according to the Oregon Juvenile Crime Prevention Risk Assessment Tool (OJCP). The OJCP assessment tool measures a youth's risk to re-offend. In addition to supervising low risk probation youth from Multnomah County, this unit also supervises Interstate Compact and courtesy cases from other Jurisdictions.

By having a stand alone caseload specifically designed for low risk youth offenders, the Department of Community Justice (DCJ) can focus on accountability measures for youth such as paying restitution and completing community service. A low risk juvenile unit allows DCJ to appropriately allocate limited resources while ensuring that all youth placed on formal probation receive supervision.

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	Number of youth supervised annually	0	0	80	80
Outcome	Percent of youth who did not penetrate further into the system	0.0%	0.0%	99.0%	99.0%

Performance Measure - Description

New program. Output is based on the estimated service capacity. Outcome measure indicates percent of youth NOT having probation closed with YCF/DOC commitment.

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	\$0	\$152,588	\$152,605	\$152,604
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$260	\$0
Internal Services	\$0	\$16,022	\$0	\$15,214
Total GF/non-GF:	\$0	\$168,610	\$152,865	\$167,818
Program Total:	\$168,610		\$320,683	
Program FTE	0.00	1.50	1.50	1.50
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$12,176	\$0	\$12,040	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$168,610	\$0	\$167,818
Total Revenue:	\$12,176	\$168,610	\$12,040	\$167,818

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund plus Portland Public Schools Grant \$167,818. Agreement ends 6/30/2012 and covers 75% of personnel costs, plus indirect. Anticipating funding will continue under the same terms into FY13.

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

New Program established in FY12. This program offer reflects an increase of 1 FTE transferred during FY12 from another program and 2 FTE transferring in FY13. History reflects the FY12 funding by Portland Public Schools in FY12 Offer 50028 YDS of 2 positions at .75 FTE each. These positions are moving to this offer in FY13 includes .50 FTE matched by the County. This was part of a reorganization of our Juvenile Services Division.