

Lead Agency: Community Justice

Program Contact: Ginger Martin

Program Offer Type: Support

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Community supervision serves three main purposes: 1) holding the offenders accountable, 2) making positive changes in offender behavior, and 3) protecting the rights of victims and the larger community. The Crime Victim's Unit coordinates and enhances each division's response to the crime victim advocate community and to the individual crime victims of offenders on supervision. This unit is responsible for advancing the goals of the Department of Community Justice (DCJ) Strategic Plan related to our long-term commitment to crime victims' rights and needs. The Crime Victims Unit is responsible for problem-solving to improve responsiveness to crime victims both within DCJ and across our public safety partners.

Program Description

The Crime Victims Unit is a new function for DCJ, having been created in FY 13. The unit collaborates with public safety agencies and community partners as well as with DCJ staff to develop a more coordinated system response to crime victim's issues. In the coming year, the Crime Victims Unit will begin working with DCJ staff and community partners to develop and pilot a program to increase restitution collections. The Crime Victims Unit will develop a workplan to guide its activities and growth over the next fiscal year. A comprehensive set of performance benchmarks will be developed. The Crime Victims Unit will develop and provide trainings to Parole/Probation Officers (PPO) and Juvenile Court Counselors (JCC) that will lead to improvements in the following areas:

- 1) Victim notification.
- 2) Restitution collection.
- 3) Referrals to services.
- 4) Victim protection.
- 5) Communication to victims about probation and parole.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	Previous Year Actual (FY11-12)	Current Year Purchased (FY12-13)	Current Year Estimate (FY12-13)	Next Year Offer (FY13-14)
Output	Number of contacts with victims of probation cases.	1,175	0	1,525	1,700
Outcome	Percent increase in crime victims being notified of offender hearings.	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%

Performance Measure - Description

New measures.

Legal/Contractual Obligation**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2013	2013	2014	2014
Personnel	\$168,378	\$0	\$272,158	\$0
Contracts	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$5,520	\$0	\$5,880	\$0
Total GF/non-GF:	\$248,898	\$0	\$353,038	\$0
Program Total:	\$248,898		\$353,038	
Program FTE	2.00	0.00	3.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #50004, Victims Unit
This program offer adds a new 1.00 FTE Victim Advocate in FY 2014.