

Program # 50024 - Juvenile Low Risk Unit

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

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 (FY11-12)	Current Year Purchased (FY12-13)	Current Year Estimate (FY12-13)	Next Year Offer (FY13-14)
Output	Number of youth supervised annually	65	80	80	80
	Percent of youth who did not penetrate further into the system	100.0%	99.0%	99.0%	99.0%

Performance Measure - Description

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Revenue/Expense Detail

	•	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds			
Program Expenses	2013	2013	2014	2014			
Personnel	\$152,605	\$0	\$106,127	\$0			
Materials & Supplies	\$260	\$0	\$260	\$0			
Total GF/non-GF:	\$152,865	\$0	\$106,387	\$0			
Program Total:	\$152	\$152,865		\$106,387			
Program FTE	1.50	0.00	1.00	0.00			
Program Revenues							
Total Revenue:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund

Significant Program Changes

Last year this program was: #50028, Juvenile Low Risk Unit

This program offers reflects the decrease of 0.50 FTE Juvenile Counselor that transferred to another DCJ program during FY 2013 as part of the reorganization to the Juvenile Services Division.