

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

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Executive Summary

The Sheriff's Office Inmate Work Crew provides opportunities for sentenced offenders to learn general labor and social responsibility while fostering a work ethic that aids in their reintegration into the community. Sentenced offenders who successfully complete this program receive a sense of self-worth. This is accomplished while meeting the public's needs at a reduced cost to the taxpayers by freeing up jail beds in the form of reduced sentences for participating offenders.

Program Description

Each crew is typically composed of eight offenders supervised by a Corrections Deputy. Offenders are expected to be ready to work each morning, take directions, and work as part of a team. This program provides instruction on the proper use and maintenance of general landscaping tools and what type of personal protective equipment is necessary to safely complete the job. Offenders who successfully complete this program can be released early if it is part of the court order at time of sentencing. The early release of these minimum custody offenders gives the Sheriff another tool to effectively manage jail populations ensuring pretrial inmates who are dangerous offenders are not released prematurely into the community due to overcrowding.

Community service work is generally project-oriented. Most of these services are performed for agencies and non-profits that serve the homeless and other at-risk groups within the community. Crews have participated in community events such as Friends of the Library, Sand in the City, March of Dimes March for Babies and Race for the Cure to name a few. Work Crews help in the set up and removal of tents, chairs and activity areas used during these events. The donated time and labor of work crews supply an invaluable resource to ensure these events are successful. In addition, work crews offer an emergency labor force during natural or man-made disasters (i.e., sandbagging, removal of downed trees).

The majority of contracts are with Multnomah County, Oregon Department of Transportation, City of Portland and Metro Regional Government. Other agencies include the cities of Gresham, Maywood Park, Troutdale, Fairview and Wood Village. Public contracted work normally consists of roadside, bridgehead and park maintenance, landscaping and a concentrated effort on cleaning up illegal dumpsites and graffiti removal.

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	Inmate escapes	0	0	0	0
Outcome	Number of contract hours	126,100	130,000	133,800	137,814
Output	Number of community service hours	6,984	7,200	7,416	7,638
Output	Percent of inmates who were recaptured (100% is no escapes)	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Performance Measure - Description

Data from the monthly work crew log.

Legal/Contractual Obligation

Work Crews contract with METRO, Multnomah County and other governments.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2013	2013	2014	2014
Personnel	\$922,843	\$703,277	\$941,351	\$736,123
Contracts	\$9,967	\$5,120	\$10,191	\$5,120
Materials & Supplies	\$142,959	\$61,730	\$146,176	\$61,730
Internal Services	\$113,393	\$64,459	\$122,177	\$62,391
Capital Outlay	\$0	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,189,162	\$844,586	\$1,219,895	\$875,364
Program Total:	\$2,033,748		\$2,095,259	
Program FTE	6.50	5.50	6.50	5.50
Program Revenues				
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$48,440	\$0	\$45,047	\$0
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$219,150	\$0	\$297,362
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$613,916	\$0	\$566,482
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$11,520	\$0	\$11,520
Total Revenue:	\$48,440	\$844,586	\$45,047	\$875,364

Explanation of Revenues

\$9000 - Misc Work Crew Service Charges

\$566,482:

- \$116,716 Various Service Contracts with Governmental Agencies
- \$336,288 Svc Contracts for ODOT
- \$113,478 Svc Contract for City of Portland

\$11,520 - Earned Interest Revenue

\$288,362 - \$136,681 for Reimb. From Road Fund (4 Days/Wk X 52 Wks/Yr X \$657.12 (new FY14 Daily Rate). \$15,000 for Bridge Maint. \$136,681 for Facilities Mgmt W/C Svcs (4 Days/Wk X 52 Wks/Yr X \$657.12 (new FY14 Daily Rate)).

Significant Program Changes

✔ Significantly Changed

Last year this program was: #60039, MCSO Corrections Work Crews

At the FY 14 budget adoption hearing, the Board approved an amendment that provided on the first quarter (\$748,014) of General Fund overtime in the Sheriff's Office adopted budget. The overtime for the remaining three quarters of the year (\$2,244,042) was placed in General Fund contingency. This action reduced this program's requested overtime funds by \$51,511. These funds will be appropriated quarterly through budget modifications with the expectation of a quarterly report by the Sheriff's Office in front of the Board on issues surrounding overtime, hiring and retirements.