

Lead Agency: Community Services

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating

Related Programs: 91004, 91005, 91007

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Field Services program provides 24 hr public safety emergency response to calls concerning animals attacking and injuring people, and animals; 24 hr emergency animal rescue for injured, sick, and abused animals; investigation services for animal bite cases, and animal abuse and neglect cases; enforce city, county and state laws; and provides community education and assistance in helping resolve neighborhood animal nuisances. Service is provided to the community 7 days-a-week, including all holidays. This program serves all cities and unincorporated areas in Multnomah County, including the City of Portland.

Program Description

The Field Services program delivers the following services: 1) Emergency public safety protection: respond to calls on dangerous dog attacks injuring people and other animals. 2) Emergency animal rescue: respond and rescue injured, sick, abused and neglected animals. 3) Public health protection: investigate reports of animal bites, quarantine animals for rabies and enforce state rabies laws. 4) Animal welfare protection: investigate cases of animal neglect, abuse and abandonment; dogfighting; and, ensure humane standards of animal care in licensed animal facilities. Team with law enforcement agencies and District Attorney on criminal cases involving animals. 5) Promote neighborhood livability: assist the public in resolving neighborhood nuisances involving animals; regulate potentially dangerous dog ownership, and impound stray animals. 6) Community education: promote responsible pet ownership. Enforce city, county, and state laws involving animals. 7) Manage the administrative hearings process to resolve ordinance violations.

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	Calls for Service	8,201	9,000	8,200	8,200
Outcome	Priority Investigation Response Time (days)	2	3	2	2
Output	Notices of Infraction Issued	13,270	15,000	11,000	11,000

Performance Measure - Description

Calls for service is an output measure of service demand. The Priority Investigation Response Time measures the time from the initial call received to first contact by an officer. Priority investigations are cases of animal cruelty and neglect, animal bites, and Potentially Dangerous Dogs. In FY12, Field Services responded to 8,201 calls for service: 1,702 emergency calls; 765 bite investigations; 892 animal cruelty/welfare investigations; 1,364 dead animal service calls; 3,478 neighborhood nuisance complaints

Legal/Contractual Obligation

ORS 609.010 to 609.190 pertains to Animal Control mandates. Includes: Dogs running at large prohibited; Potentially Dangerous and Dangerous Dogs regulations; Dogs as Public Nuisance prohibited; Impoundment and shelter requirements for violations; Dog License requirements; Impoundment of Dogs harming livestock requirements. ORS 609.205 pertains to prohibitions against keeping wild or exotic animals. ORS 433.340 to 433.390 pertains to Rabies Control - includes: requirement to report animal bites; impoundment, quarantine and disposition requirements; inoculations against rabies requirements; records requirements; and requirement for all fees to go to the County dog control fund. Multnomah County Code Chapter 13 provides local regulations for animal ownership.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2013	2013	2014	2014
Personnel	\$1,168,428	\$0	\$1,140,285	\$0
Contracts	\$75,000	\$0	\$75,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$42,200	\$0	\$34,700	\$0
Internal Services	\$176,542	\$0	\$206,200	\$0
Cash Transfer	\$0	\$108,000	\$0	\$25,000
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,462,170	\$108,000	\$1,456,185	\$25,000
Program Total:	\$1,570,170		\$1,481,185	
Program FTE	15.00	0.00	14.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$68,000	\$0	\$0
Other / Miscellaneous	\$108,000	\$40,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
Total Revenue:	\$108,000	\$108,000	\$25,000	\$25,000

Explanation of Revenues

Revenue from Notice of Infractions fines: Projected 2,000 Notices of Infraction issued @ an average of \$12.50/notice = \$25,000. The City of Portland discontinued the Intergovernmental Agreement for Off-Leash Park Enforcement services. This resulted in the reduction of revenue by \$68,000 in FY14.

In the General Fund, the \$25,000 revenue represents the cash transfer from the Animal Services Fund to the General Fund. It includes revenue from the source described above.

Significant Program Changes

✔ Significantly Changed

Last year this program was: #91006, Animal Services Field Services

In FY13 the City of Portland discontinued funding the Intergovernmental Agreement for Off-Leash Park Enforcement services. This resulted in eliminating of 1.0 FTE Animal Control Officer.