

### Program # 25040A - Domestic Violence Victims Services Continuum

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**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating

**Related Programs:** 

**Program Characteristics:** In Target

### **Executive Summary**

The Domestic Violence Victim Services continuum provides in-person services to 5,000 victims and children annually, including emergency shelter; short-term advocacy including culturally-specific services, mobile advocacy and rent assistance; civil legal advocacy and restraining order assistance; and specialized support for victims and children involved with child welfare. Evidence-based practices include emergency shelters, shown to reduce the incidence of reassault by 50% (Bybee & Sullivan, 2002); and civil legal assistance, shown to reduce homicides (Farmer & Tiefenthaler, 2002).

### **Program Description**

Domestic violence impacts nearly 1 in 3 women and 1 in 10 men in their lifetimes, with women, as a group, experiencing more frequent, severe and injurious violence than men (National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey, 2010). It accounts for more than 40% of all reported violent crime and 25% of all homicides in Multnomah County, and costs the community \$10 million in lost wages, health care and other costs (Costs of Intimate Partner Violence In Oregon, 2005). In addition, domestic violence is a significant risk factor for and frequently co-occurs with child abuse: in 2011, 40% of founded child abuse cases in Multnomah County also involved domestic violence (Children First for Oregon County Data Book, 2012).

The domestic violence victim services continuum provides critical, specialized support for victims as they cope with the multiple consequences and complexities resulting from violence. Victim services have been found to increase employment, income, quality of life; decrease the level of danger and reassault, PTSD, depression, alcohol and drug abuse; and improve the health and mental health of victims and their children. Victim services funded in this offer include emergency shelter and supportive services; mobile advocacy; rent assistance and supportive services; culturally-specific services for African Americans, Native Americans, Latinos/Hispanics, Russian-speakers, immigrants/refugees, and sexual minorities; civil legal assistance and restraining order advocacy to ensure safety after separation; and specialized support for victims involved with child welfare.

### **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 victims & children receiving residential (shelter or housing) services	1,056	0	1,329	1,000
Outcome Output	% who report a lower perceived risk of violence  Number of adults & children receiving nonresidential	92.0% 3,247		82.0% 3,188	70.0% 3,000
Outcome	services. % who report a lower perceived risk of violence	86.0%	70.0%	89.0%	70.0%

#### **Performance Measure - Description**

Measure Changed

This measure changed to provide a separate count of all victims and children receiving residential services (emergency shelter/motel, rent assistance and related support services) and a separate count of all victims and children receiving non-residential domestic violence services (mobile advocacy, culturally specific services, specialized services for child welfare involved families, employment/financial life skills, and civil legal assistance).

Victims who receive brief crisis services (such as restraining order advocacy or short-term motel stay) are not asked about changes in their perceived risk of further violence.

# **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	\$211,594	\$32,480	\$167,717	\$37,596	
Contracts	\$1,506,175	\$345,352	\$1,394,374	\$358,623	
Materials & Supplies	\$151,311	\$328,672	\$313,301	\$397,500	
Internal Services	\$28,842	\$7,004	\$20,114	\$0	
Total GF/non-GF:	\$1,897,922	\$713,508	\$1,895,506	\$793,719	
Program Total:	\$2,611,430		\$2,689,225		
Program FTE	1.80	0.37	1.63	0.37	
Program Revenues					
Indirect for dep't Admin	\$2,008	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$713,508	\$0	\$793,719	
Total Revenue:	\$2,008	\$713,508	\$0	\$793,719	

## **Explanation of Revenues**

\$546,388 - HUD Horizons Grant: Based on current allocation

\$172,497 - Oregon Housing and Community Service SHAP Grant: Based on current award

\$74,834 - DOJ OVW Transitional Housing \$78,840 - County General Fund Match

\$1,816,666 - County General Fund

## **Significant Program Changes**

Significantly Changed

Last year this program was: #25040A, Domestic Violence Victims Services and Coordination
This is part one of a three-part restructure of the single domestic violence program offered in previous years. Program offers 25044-Domestic Violence Administration and Coordination and 25047-Domestic Violence Enhanced Response Team are new for FY14. The histories of those programs is shown on those program offers.