

Program #15206 - Strategic Prosecution Unit

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Department: District Attorney

Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program Program Offer Stage: As Requested

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

MCDA's Strategic Prosecution and Services Unit (SPSU) utilizes community based resolutions when possible to address chronic criminal activity. SPSU attorneys recommend court supervised mental health services and drug addiction treatment when community safety will benefit rather than incarceration. Recidivism is reduced and safety is enhanced for crime victims through the efforts of SPSU. MCDA seeks equitable treatment of both victims and offenders in SPSU. The Multnomah County Justice Reinvestment Project (MCJRP) deputy district attorneys assigned to SPSU use data analysis to correct inequities and promotes court supervised mental health and drug treatment as an alternative to incarceration.

Program Summary

The Strategic Prosecution and Services Unit (SPSU) is an evidence based program addressing chronic offenders based on a national model. SPSU equitably identifies chronic offenders and seeks to divert them into court supervised drug and mental health services when possible. The outcome is reduced recidivism by ending offense cycles, decreased reliance on incarceration and increased community safety.

Due to structural and historic racism, chronic offenders in Multnomah County are disproportionately represented. Deputy District Attorneys in SPSU are aware of racial and ethnic disparities and seek unbiased, fair and equitable case resolutions. Priority of SPSU is data driven decisions based on safety, justice and equity.

Community Court, DUII Diversion, and Ex DUII resolutions are similarly available to defendants at the East County Courthouse, which is staffed daily by a SPSU DDA.

The Multnomah County Justice Reinvestment Program (MCJRP) implements Multnomah County's historical responsible use of Oregon Department of Corrections, and other public safety resources, both before and after the passage of HB3194. MCJRP also recognizes a continued desire and goal to improve its processes in order to have the best information available at important decision points throughout the public safety continuum. MCJRP DDAs utilize a process to assess offenders and provide a spectrum of community-based sanctions, services and programs that are designed to reduce recidivism, decrease the county's utilization of imprisonment in DOC institutions while protecting public safety and holding offenders accountable. Data analysis generated by the MCJRP deputy district attorney is utilized throughout MCDA to correct inequities and ensure fairness.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer			
Output	Cases/Search warrants/police reports reviewed	9,200	6,700	9,200	10,000			
Outcome	Prosecutor contacts with community members	17,600	18,000	17,000	19,200			

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Requested General Fund	Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2022	2022	2023	2023
Personnel	\$1,141,482	\$1,115,693	\$1,057,926	\$978,930
Materials & Supplies	\$8,500	\$0	\$17,000	\$1,800
Internal Services	\$215,688	\$34,920	\$214,355	\$37,866
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,365,670	\$1,150,613	\$1,289,281	\$1,018,596
Program Total:	\$2,51	6,283	\$2,307,877	
Program FTE	5.00	5.45	5.00	4.84

Program Revenues								
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$861,934	\$0	\$787,510				
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$288,679	\$0	\$231,086				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$1,150,613	\$0	\$1,018,596				

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$37,866 in indirect revenues. \$313,467 IGA with TriMet

\$724,833 MC Agreement with CJC Justice Reinvestment Grant Program (HB3194/3078). The FY 2023 budget for the Justice Reinvestment Program (HB 3194/3078) totals \$4.7 million across four departments (DCJ, MCSO, MCDA, and LPSCC).

\$62,677 U.S. DOJ BJA Innovative Prosecution Solutions Grant - funds 0.31 FTE of a DDA2.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2022: 15308A Strategic Prosecution Unit