

Program #60420 - Classification

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Sheriff **Department:** 

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

**Related Programs:** 

Program Characteristics: In Target

### **Executive Summary**

The Classification Unit is comprised of specially trained corrections deputies, whose primary function is to determine appropriate housing for adults in custody. Housing decisions are made during an in-person interview using an objective jail classification instrument at intake. Updated interviews and evaluations are done throughout the time an adult is in custody. This process assists in ensuring the safety of all adults in custody while supporting efficient management of MCSO's corrections facilities.

### **Program Summary**

The Classification Unit develops housing configurations used to create safe separations for adults in custody who have different risk and need levels. Important factors when determining appropriate housing for adults in custody include: current charge, previous behavior, as well as risk and programmatic needs. The unit's primary goal is to operate an objective classification system that provides for separations between violent and non-violent offenders and facilitates movement through administrative processes, from the most restrictive housing to the least restrictive housing. This is a critical element to ensure that the jail meets the reasonable standard of care required by the United States Constitution.

Best practice has shown that utilizing an objective classification process is key. This process creates a structure that allows individuals who require special housing or have special needs to be housed in an environment with those of like needs. Adults in custody who create the potential for compromising safety and security are housed in more restrictive environments with enhanced security as appropriate. The objective classification process is also designed to identify programmatic needs and provide adequate services and programs to assist in custody adults in building positive life-skills with the ultimate goal of successful re-entry into the community.

Finally, the Classification Unit is also responsible to provide an in-house disciplinary process that is fair and balanced to maintain proper order in the corrections facilities, as well as to promote human values, individual dignity, and socially desirable changes in attitude and behavior.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY21 Actual	FY22 Budgeted	FY22 Estimate	FY23 Offer			
Output	# of Assaults on inmates in Corrections Division	104	100	113	122			
Outcome	# of Assaults on staff in Corrections Division	59	100	67	75			
Output	Classification Interviews in Reception	9,675	12,000	9,434	11,000			
Outcome	PREA investigations initiated during interview	24	35	42	60			

#### **Performance Measures Descriptions**

Assault rule violation data is based on number of assaults in MCDC and MCIJ and only for "Medium" and "High" severity incidents. This data is from the Excel spreadsheet maintained by the Hearings Officers. Classification interview data pulled from CIMS General Audit Report, Classification Triages Processed, and PREA.

# **Legal / Contractual Obligation**

The Sheriff is mandated by statute to maintain the local detention facility(s) within his jurisdiction. Local Detention Classification mechanisms are mandated to maintain safe and humane detention facilities by Statute and a multitude of case law

## **Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Requested General Fund	Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2022	2022	2023	2023
Personnel	\$3,759,700	\$0	\$3,956,888	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$27,481	\$0	\$27,481	\$0
Internal Services	\$26,646	\$0	\$26,707	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$3,813,827	\$0	\$4,011,076	\$0
Program Total:	\$3,813,827		\$4,011,076	
Program FTE	20.00	0.00	20.00	0.00

Program Revenues					
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

## **Explanation of Revenues**

# Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2022: 60420 Classification