

MULTNOMAH COUNTY  
 FY 2024 Budget Work Session Follow Up  
**Local Public Safety Coordinating Council**  
 May 9, 2023



**Question 1**

**Commissioner Meieran (District 1):** Please provide the Board with a historical accounting of the financial investments for the [Transforming Justice initiative](#) (10009C).

How are we continuing to coordinate and track all this work to ensure it is being meaningfully implemented?

**Response:**

The following table shows the **actual** funds spent between FY 2020 through FY 2023 and the proposed budget for FY 2024, the text below summarizes the work completed.

FY 2020 Actuals - FY 2024 Proposed budget				
Fiscal Year	Prg Offer	General Fund (OTO)	State SB 1145	Total
FY 2020 Actuals	10009A		\$15,273	<b>\$15,273</b>
FY 2021 Actuals	10009A		99,552	<b>99,552</b>
FY 2022 Actuals	10009C	214,695	225,134	<b>439,829</b>
FY 2023 Actuals Estimated	10009A/C	51,000	204,000	<b>255,000</b>
FY 2024 Proposed Budget	10009C	150,000		<b>150,000</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$415,695</b>	<b>\$543,959</b>	<b>\$959,654</b>

**FY 2020:**

The What Works in Public Safety conference, held in January 2020, kicked off the to-be-named Transforming Justice project. COVID delayed launch until later in 2020. The conference helped galvanize desire among local elected and executive leadership to create a vision, a North Star, for the future of justice policy, that is more equitable and focuses on recovery and wellness over incarceration. The murder of George Floyd and subsequent demands for racial justice made the project even more critical.

Funds used:

- 1145, ongoing: \$15,273

**FY 2021:**

Several stakeholders engaged in a lengthy procurement process which ultimately selected Territory to facilitate and help lead the Transforming Justice project. The contract with Territory was executed in October 2020. The goals of the contract with Territory are to create a vision with core strategies, and to assist the county to move into implementation of these strategies.

Territory was introduced to the LPSCC executive Committee in December 2020. In February the Core Working group, a small multidisciplinary team began to meet weekly to recommend the tone and scope of the work to the larger approval body; the Steering Committee (which launched in May 2021).

The work throughout the rest of FY 2021 focused on roles and responsibilities of the two teams, governance, and ultimately approved a lengthy list of over 300 stakeholders to interview. These stakeholder voices would ultimately direct the tone and shape of the vision and core strategies.

Funds used:

- 1145, ongoing: \$99,552

## **FY 2022:**

The groundwork completed in FY 2021 allowed the project to move forward quickly in FY2022. By June 2022:

- 133 stakeholders were engaged (interviews were completed with a wide variety of stakeholders, from people experiencing homelessness to criminal Justice leadership),
- A comprehensive review of existing research was completed,
- The working group synthesized the discovery into an easily digestible vision and core strategies,
- The imagery for the work was designed, and
- The final product was approved on June 13, 2022.

For more information on the entire process, please see the [final report](#).

Funds used:

- 1145, ongoing: \$225,134
- CGF, OTO: \$214,695

## **FY 2023:**

After approval of the Vision and 18 Core Strategies, the LPSCC team sought additional community and partner feedback to help build out the existing knowledge base and champions close to the topics covered by each strategy:

- Conducted 18 2-hour sessions with key subject matter experts to define the scope of each strategy,
- Continued to seek feedback from over 600 people on the Transforming Justice mailing list to ensure transparency and a variety perspectives, and
- Completed a three-day in person session, which:
  - Grouped the 18 strategies into 9 groups
  - Determined the work that falls under the authority of Multnomah County
  - Identified work already underway
  - Identified low hanging fruit
  - Identified possible champions as the project moves toward implementation

Funds used:

- 1145, ongoing: \$204,000 (estimate)
- CGF, OTO: \$51,000 (estimate)

***How are we continuing to coordinate and track all this work to ensure it is being meaningfully implemented?***

For the remainder of FY 2023 and into 2024: LPSCC will:

- Ensure Territory completes a handbook for each strategy (facilitation guide, back ground, possible champions, charters, etc) by June 30, 2023,
- Work with Chair Vega Pederson to determine leadership, partnership, accountability, and governance, and
- Help identify roles and responsibilities of implementation as a path forward becomes more clear

For deeper information on the timelines and work completed to-date, please see the [website](#).

## **Question 2**

**Commissioner Meieran (District 1):** Please share the FY 2015 review that was completed regarding the Public Safety IT system - Decision Support System - Justice (DSS-J).

## **Response:**

[Here](#) is the Decision Support System - Justice (DSS-J) assessment report, completed in March 2016.

While the recommended upgrades to DSS-J did not happen due to fiscal and data-sharing constraints, LPSCC adopted the governance infrastructure and has three teams to administer and support DSS-J: a Policy Team, and Operations Team, and a User Group.