

Program #15203A - Neighborhood DA Program

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

Related Programs: 15203B-16, 15203C-16

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Neighborhood District Attorney Program is comprised of neighborhood-based Deputy District Attorneys who work directly with local individual citizens, community groups, neighborhood associations, business associations and law enforcement agencies in communities throughout Multnomah County to identify and develop strategies to combat quality of life crimes and improve neighborhood livability. NDAs also review and issues charging documents on misdemeanor cases throughout the county.

Program Summary

This is a nationally recognized model program for engaging a variety of community, business and law enforcement partners in identifying crime issues and developing strategies within a community to combat quality of life crime in neighborhoods throughout Multnomah County. The Neighborhood prosecutors are strategically located in East, North/Northeast, West and the Gresham areas. Each Neighborhood District Attorney (NDA) is responsible for working with the police, other government agencies, businesses and citizens to improve the quality of life in the areas they serve. This includes keeping police officers up to date on criminal law changes, making the criminal justice system user-friendly for responsible area businesses, marshaling prosecution resources to solve entrenched neighborhood problems, attending community meetings and providing legal tools for citizens and police to use to improve their quality of life, such as collaborating on partnership agreements, business trespass agreements, drug impact areas, focused prosecutions and involving citizens to obtain search warrants to close neighborhood drug houses. Specialized prosecutors are contracted with Lloyd Business District and Tri-Met to prosecute crimes and solve crime problems specific to those entities. There is also one additional prosecutor in the North/Northeast area assigned to coordinate county-wide misdemeanor gang prosecutions and probation with the Portland Police and Multnomah County Circuit Court in an effort to have these emerging gang members mentored by area pastors and community leaders. In addition the program issues approximately one half of all misdemeanors processed by the office, including quality-of-life misdemeanors such as drinking, camping, graffiti, drugs and prostitution.

Performance Measures									
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY14 Actual	FY15 Purchased	FY15 Estimate	FY16 Offer				
Output	Cases issued	4836	5500	5000	5000				
Outcome	Problem solving contacts	28,010	35000	28000	28000				

Performance Measures Descriptions

Output - The number of cases for which a charging instrument has been created by this unit.

Outcome - The number of problem solving contacts Neighborhood DAs have with citizens, law enforcement, businesses, and neighborhood associations or other special interest organizations.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

ORS 8.660 - Attending court and prosecuting offenses. (1) The district attorney shall attend the terms of all courts having jurisdiction of public offenses within the district attorney's county, and, except as otherwise provided in this section, conduct, on behalf of the state, all prosecutions for such offenses therein.

ORS 8.665 - Prosecuting violations. Upon the issuance of a citation by any person authorized to issue citations for violations, a district attorney shall prosecute the case if it appears that a violation has occurred.

ORS 8.670 - Proceedings before magistrates and grand jury. The district attorney shall institute proceedings before magistr

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2015	2015	2016	2016
Personnel	\$760,085	\$324,624	\$693,624	\$343,325
Materials & Supplies	\$13,769	\$0	\$11,900	\$0
Internal Services	\$17,633	\$0	\$15,483	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$791,487	\$324,624	\$721,007	\$343,325
Program Total:	\$1,116,111		\$1,064,332	
Program FTE	5.50	1.65	5.07	1.93

Program Revenues								
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$44,302	\$0	\$61,692				
Other / Miscellaneous	\$25,000	\$280,322	\$25,000	\$281,633				
Total Revenue	\$25,000	\$324,624	\$25,000	\$343,325				

Explanation of Revenues

\$25,000 in SBAD (John's School) revenue for the County General Fund.

\$61,692 in Federal Justice Assistance Grant revenue.

\$75,000 in revenue from the Lloyd Business District.

\$206,633 in revenue from TriMet.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2015: 15014 Neighborhood DA Program