

Program #60525 - Special Investigations Unit

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Department: Sheriff **Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program** Program Offer Stage: As Adopted

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

This program provides for the investigation of crimes involving the sale, distribution, and manufacturing of dangerous drugs. The Special Investigations Unit (SIU) is charged with enforcing state narcotics laws, prostitution activities, and assisting with advanced surveillance of major criminal cases. Emphasis of drug investigations is placed on narcotics distributors who supply to street level dealers, referred to as mid to upper mid-level narcotics traffickers. SIU is a resource for investigating and apprehending suspects involved in Human Trafficking of children.

Program Summary

The purpose of the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) is to investigate illegal drug activities in the Metro area, and other criminal activity as directed by the Sheriff. The unit conducts criminal investigations of street level illicit drug activity, up to and including the prosecution of federal narcotics crimes. Investigations often lead to Drug Trafficking Organizations (DTO's) that transport and eventually sell dangerous drugs for a profit. SIU investigations take them into areas considered hazardous to health and public safety. Investigations conducted by the SIU detectives have resulted in indictments and prosecutions in numerous meth lab cases. SIU coordinates clean-up of drug labs. With the changing needs and priorities of the communities, SIU has modified its mission over the past several years to accommodate the significant impacts of Methamphetamine and other dangerous drugs infesting neighborhoods, schools, recreational areas and work places. Statistics show that about 90% of all crime can be attributed to dangerous drugs in the community. The SIU program is partially funded through grants, revenues received from forfeitures and federal case funding.

SIU has the responsibility to proactively identify, investigate, prepare the required investigative reports, apprehend the suspect(s), prepare the case for a successful prosecution and testify in court in all cases dealing with illegal drugs and vice activities.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY18 Actual	FY19 Purchased	FY19 Estimate	FY20 Offer			
Output	SIU drug cases	139	145	135	145			
Outcome	Percent of SIU drug cases that are methamphetamine	35%	50%	50%	50%			
Output	Number of searches	179	150	150	160			
Outcome	Percent of searches resulting in an arrest	90%	55%	85%	85%			

Performance Measures Descriptions

Data are compiled from an Excel database reported monthly. The numbers of drug cases conducted are tied solely to the unit's manpower. *the change in result of the last output and outcome is the addition of search warrants that are post arrest or investigative in nature, not only searches for drugs.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

ORS 206.010, General duties of sheriff

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2019	2019	2020	2020
Personnel	\$1,055,733	\$27,675	\$1,121,211	\$26,753
Contractual Services	\$0	\$279,303	\$0	\$230,000
Materials & Supplies	\$14,401	\$304,807	\$14,761	\$160,000
Internal Services	\$5,538	\$98,215	\$99,163	\$3,247
Capital Outlay	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,075,672	\$710,000	\$1,235,135	\$470,000
Program Total:	\$1,785,672		\$1,705,135	
Program FTE	7.00	0.00	7.00	0.00

Program Revenues								
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$160,000	\$0	\$110,000				
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$150,000	\$0	\$60,000				
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$400,000	\$0	\$300,000				
Service Charges	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$0				
Total Revenue	\$20,000	\$710,000	\$20,000	\$470,000				

Explanation of Revenues

General Fund: \$20,000 - Overtime Reimbursement for US Marshal Fugitive Task Force Activity

Fed/State Funds: \$50,000 - Proceeds from Federal Equitable Sharing Forfeitures; \$100,000 - Carry-over from Fiscal Year 2019; \$60,000 - Funding from HIDTA (High Intensity Drug Trafficking Activity) Grant.

Special Ops Funds: \$10,000 - Proceeds from Seizure/Forfeiture Auctions; \$50,000 - Proceeds from Civil Seizure/Forfeitures due to criminal activity, \$200,000 - Carry-over from FY 2019.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2019: 60525-19 Special Investigations Unit