

**Department:** 

### Program #50027 - Adult Women & Family Services Unit

Community Justice

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

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target

# **Executive Summary**

The Women & Family Services Unit (WFSU) supervises approximately 875 justice-involved adults annually, most of whom identify as female. A number of these individuals are pregnant women and/or have children involved in the juvenile justice system. By collaborating with community partners, including the Juvenile Services Division (JSD), WFSU protects children and works to break the cycle of cross-generational antisocial behavior and crime.

# **Program Summary**

WFSU approaches supervision through a multi-disciplinary team effort. WFSU works closely with staff from Child Welfare, Self Sufficiency, Health Services, the Juvenile Services Division, and mental health agencies. WFSU emphasizes collaboration with other agencies for case planning, resource allocation, and efficient service delivery to address dynamics that place an entire family at risk. WFSU utilizes the Women's Risk Needs Assessment (WRNA) to appropriately assess each woman's actual risk and need areas. This tool allows WFSU staff to be more effective with cognitive behavioral interventions, as well as treatment and service referrals. WFSU's approach equips justice-involved women with skills and resources that strengthen families and successfully defrays long-term costs associated with inter-generational criminal activity.

House Bill 3503 established the Family Sentencing Alternative Pilot (FSAP) Program. This program is included in the Women & Family Services Unit, which diverts qualified justice-involved adults who have custody of a minor child at the time of the offense or are pregnant at the time of sentencing from prison to probation. The intent of this program is to promote reunification of families, prevent children from entering the foster care system, and holding individuals accountable, while utilizing wrap around services, with a primary focus on parenting. WFSU has four staff dedicated to working with clients who are either pregnant, parenting, or attempting to parent their children, through the Department of Human Services involvement. The rest of WFSU staff focus on women involved in the criminal justice system, collaborating with the Health Department and community partners who are not parenting, the majority due to termination of parental rights through the court system.

The COVID-19 pandemic impacted operations beginning in March 2020. PPOs have limited in person visits to address immediate public safety concerns and address high risk behaviors. They maintain contact with justice-involved individuals via phone or other virtual options. Regular in person meetings will resume in FY 2022 when it is safe to do so.

Performance Measures									
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer				
Output	Number of adults served annually	888	850	900	900				
Outcome	Percent of adults convicted of a misd. or felony within 1 vear of supervision start date	14%	15%	15%	15%				

#### **Performance Measures Descriptions**

3/2/2021

### **Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Requested General Fund	Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Personnel	\$2,234,395	\$322,890	\$2,429,310	\$201,071
Contractual Services	\$40,339	\$423,159	\$38,685	\$124,085
Materials & Supplies	\$14,115	\$3,696	\$7,944	\$0
Internal Services	\$206,645	\$55,924	\$150,976	\$33,941
Total GF/non-GF	\$2,495,494	\$805,669	\$2,626,915	\$359,097
Program Total:	\$3,301,163		\$2,986,012	
Program FTE	15.00	3.00	16.50	1.50

Program Revenues								
Fees, Permits & Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$805,669	\$0	\$325,097				
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$34,000				
Total Revenue	\$0	\$805,669	\$0	\$359,097				

# **Explanation of Revenues**

This program generates \$33,941 in indirect revenues.

County General Fund plus 1) \$272,635 State Department of Corrections HB3503 Family Sentencing Alternative Program IGA of which \$34,000 is beginning working capital. Funding promotes family reunification, preventing children from entering foster care, and holding justice-involved individuals accountable. The biennium IGA funding level for 2021-2023 is expected to remain level to the 2019-2021 biennium. FY 2022 is 49% allocation for the 1st year of 2021-2023 budget 2) \$86,462 partial allocation from US DOJ BJA SMART Reentry grant. The grant focuses on strategies for successful reentry from incarceration into the community. Award 10/01/2017 – 09/30/2020 with an approved no-cost extension to 09/30/2021.

# Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2021: 50027A Adult Women & Family Services Unit