



Program #60520A - Detectives Unit **FY 2025 Adopted**

Department: Sheriff **Program Contact:** Carey Kaer
Program Offer Type: Operating **Program Offer Stage:** Adopted
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The goal of the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) Detective Unit is to provide highly trained detectives to investigate all serious person crimes; including those involving homicide, sexual assault, domestic violence, crimes against children, crimes against the elderly and vulnerable populations, and firearm-related crimes. Many of these cases are referred to this program through social service providers, patrol deputies, outside agencies, and from prosecutors.

Program Description

MCSO Detectives investigate all person crimes that are not resolved by patrol deputies. The Detective Unit is responsible for responding to crime scenes, conducting preliminary and follow-up investigations, preparing the required investigative reports, apprehending the suspect, preparing the case for successful prosecution, and testifying in court. The detectives are also members of the East County Major Crimes Team, as well as other inter-agency teams which allows for collaboration of multiple resources and leverages personnel for more efficient and effective results. The goal of the East County Major Crimes Team (MCT) is to provide a successful outcome to all serious person crimes, and other high-profile investigations throughout all communities in Multnomah County. The Detective Unit is versatile and is responsible for a wide range of investigative efforts. With changes to the statewide Department of Human Services (DHS) hotline reporting and case management, the Detective Unit receives and processes all DHS reports of alleged child abuse and neglect in order to ensure cases are cross-reported. There is a need for two additional investigators to be dedicated to MCSO's Child Protection Team. Trained and experienced detectives will objectively and thoroughly investigate nearly 150 allegations of child abuse each month and determine if a violation of criminal law occurred, identify and apprehend the offender, and file appropriate criminal charges while ensuring the child's needs are met. Detectives receive specific training associated with child and family maltreatment, such as Making Equitable Space at the Table: The Importance of the Youth Advocate Role and The Intersection of Secondary Traumatic Stress with Culture, Race and Historical Trauma. The Detective Unit also has a dedicated detective to conduct follow-up investigations and provides services for victims impacted by domestic violence through the Domestic Violence Enhanced Response Team. This team utilizes a model of intervention that provides a coordinated, multi-disciplinary response to high-priority/high-risk domestic violence cases. When gun violence impacts east county communities, detectives engage in collaborative community outreach efforts and provide investigative resources with the goal of bringing awareness and reducing incidents involving firearms. The Detective Unit also registers approximately 450 sex offenders annually and conducts sex offender compliance missions, as Oregon law requires sex offenders to report in person to a law enforcement agency in the county where they reside.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	Total cases investigated	600	700	700	700
Outcome	Total cases cleared	400	425	425	425
Output	Person crime cases investigated	550	500	500	500
Outcome	Person crime cases cleared	350	400	400	400

Performance Measures Descriptions

Data from Law Enforcement Associates Data Technologies caseload database and RMS. There has been a dramatic increase in the number of serious person crime cases investigated by Detectives while over past years cutting FTE's to the program. Total cases are expected to be fewer as property crimes are no longer able to be assigned in the Detectives Unit based on the increase of serious person crimes; especially child abuse crimes.

Legal / Contractual Obligation**Revenue/Expense Detail**

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025
Personnel	\$3,057,081	\$0	\$3,200,084	\$0
Contractual Services	\$1,000	\$0	\$14,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$66,000	\$0	\$141,000	\$0
Internal Services	\$266,506	\$0	\$251,888	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$3,390,587	\$0	\$3,606,972	\$0
Program Total:	\$3,390,587		\$3,606,972	
Program FTE	13.00	0.00	13.00	0.00

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

Explanation of Revenues**Significant Program Changes**

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 60520A Detectives Unit