

Department: District Attorney

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Program Offer Type: Administration

Program Offer Stage: As Adopted

Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:
Executive Summary

The District Attorney (DA) and executive staff provide the leadership, vision, policies, resource allocation, oversight, and direction for the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office. The DA leads and monitors daily operations and directs related work with local law enforcement agencies, social service agencies, and addresses public and private concerns to ensure the organization is operating at its maximum efficiency in service to the community.

Program Summary

The District Attorney (DA) and executive staff are responsible for leadership around public relations, policy direction, long and short-range planning, internal human and labor relations and oversight of daily operations. As the largest district attorney's office in the State of Oregon, representing Oregon's most populous county, the DA frequently partners with public safety officials locally, statewide and nationally to work on enacting sound public safety policies, practices and laws which reflect the desires of the community and increase responsible transparency, confidence, fairness, efficiency and effectiveness system-wide. The office oversees administrative functions that support our law-related direct service work.

The DA represents the office to public safety peers, works with legislators and state law enforcement leaders, and provides assistance and leadership for statewide and national district attorney matters. The DA is the ultimate authority responsible for prosecution of crime. The DA and staff meet with county, city and state legislators dozens of times each year to discuss pending policy and legislation and often help draft legislation around criminal justice. The DA serves as the executive sponsor for the Equity Dignity Opportunity Council (EDOC), an internal workgroup which meets to advance the equity conversation, policy making and practice within the office and beyond. This year the EDOC is expanding its work to include the objectives of the Workforce Equity Strategic Plan.

The office initiates and oversees Continuing Legal Education (CLE) sessions attended by attorney personnel internal and external to the DA's Office.

In addition to the DA, this unit includes a first assistant to the district attorney, two administrative managers, and three staff assistants, who provide support for the DA and senior management.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budgeted	FY20 Estimate	FY21 Offer
Output	Total number of all staff communications	65	65	117	120
Outcome	Total number of cases received	19,916	19,789	19,555	19,555

Performance Measures Descriptions

"Total number of cases received" is a new performance measure this year, as it more accurately represents the actual work performed than the previously reported "cases resolved".

For additional MCDA Budget Information:

<https://www.mcda.us/index.php/documents/multnomah-county-district-attorneys-informational-budget-packet-fy-2021.pdf>

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Oregon Constitution: Article VII Section 17. Prosecuting Attorneys. There shall be elected by districts comprised of one, or more counties, a sufficient number of prosecuting attorneys, who shall be the law officers of the State, and of the counties within their respective districts, and shall perform such duties pertaining to the administration of Law, and general police as the Legislative Assembly may direct. Oregon Revised Statute (ORS): 8.850. Each county shall provide the district attorney and any deputies for such county with such office space, facilities, supplies, and stenographic assistance as is necessary to perform efficiently the duties of such office.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2020	2020	2021	2021
Personnel	\$1,134,048	\$0	\$1,298,434	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$19,100	\$0	\$21,600	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,153,148	\$0	\$1,320,034	\$0
Program Total:	\$1,153,148		\$1,320,034	
Program FTE	6.00	0.00	7.00	0.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2020: 15000-20 Management Services

A Staff Assistant position (Communications Director) at 1.00 FTE is added to the program.