

Department: District Attorney

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Program Offer Type: Administration

Program Offer Stage: Proposed

Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:
Executive Summary

Administrative Support Services provides in-person, phone, and email assistance to victims, witnesses, staff, defense attorneys, court and law enforcement personnel, and the general public needing contact with or assistance from the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office (MCDA). This program distributes all interoffice, U.S. Mail and deliveries, provides clerical support for deputy district attorneys, and maintains records for MCDA, County and statewide data systems. People served are navigating a complex criminal justice system. MCDA Administrative Support Services seeks more equitable outcomes by providing information, resources and assistance appropriate to the client, including providing services in Spanish.

Program Description

Main Office Reception: Staff guide and assist victims and witnesses to properly sign subpoenas to ensure witness fees and mileage reimbursement payments will be received in a timely manner after appearing at a hearing or other court proceedings. One position provides Spanish translation in-person and over the phone for victims, witnesses and other callers and monitors a Spanish language-only voice mail box. Staff coordinate mail service for the entire office, including handling and routing an average of 166 pieces of mail and packages each day. This program retrieves and disburses probation violation administrative sanctions, profiles e-recog sheets, enters discovery fees into CRIMES, maintains phone lists and the mail guide for MCDA, creates and distributes unit availability to chief deputy district attorneys for court appearance list assignments, creates and distributes misdemeanor daily trial list, schedules conference rooms reservations, and are facilities liaisons. Staff are trained in safety and confidentiality in accordance with MCDA and County legal and ethical requirements. **Legal Assistant functions:** Assist victims seeking restitution for losses incurred, have extensive communication with victims and witnesses regarding trials, hearings, and meetings. Provide support for trial units including: data entry, file preparation, tracking domestic violence, sexual assault, violent crimes, property crimes, and mental health cases. Staff assist deputy district attorneys with legal documents and running records affecting the issuances of, START (Success through Accountability, Restitutions, and Treatment) and MCJRP (Multnomah County Justice Reinvestment Program) cases. They process subpoenas, close files, and enter data into the CRIMES case management system. This program also includes payment of administrative expenses such as bar dues for deputy district attorneys, courier services and facilities charges associated with the Central Courthouse. MCDA provides a welcoming and trauma-informed atmosphere in all interactions with the public, victims and witnesses, internal and external stakeholders, to ensure equitable access to services and information.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	Number of Witness (Subpoena) Fees paid	205	150	200	200
Outcome	Percent of contracts awarded to COBID-certified and Oregon Forward businesses	N/A	N/A	2	2
Outcome	Percent of staff who are solely in non-attorney positions.	63%	N/A	63%	63%

Performance Measures Descriptions

Legal / Contractual Obligation

ORS 8.850 - Offices, supplies, and stenographic assistance for district attorneys and deputies. 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. [1953 c.652 S3]

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025
Personnel	\$325,195	\$0	\$341,215	\$0
Contractual Services	\$66,200	\$0	\$66,200	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$341,624	\$0	\$336,624	\$0
Internal Services	\$78,491	\$0	\$63,162	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$811,510	\$0	\$807,201	\$0
Program Total:	\$811,510		\$807,201	
Program FTE	3.00	0.00	3.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Other / Miscellaneous	\$938,157	\$0	\$999,463	\$0
Total Revenue	\$938,157	\$0	\$999,463	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund, plus \$999,463 of Department Indirect Revenue. Indirect rate is based on the FY 2025 indirect rate in the countywide Cost Allocation Plan. Indirect rate is applied to allowable payroll costs in Non- General Fund revenue streams.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 15001 Administrative Support Services