

Department: District Attorney

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Program Offer Type: Administration

Program Offer Stage: Adopted

Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:
Program Description

The Chief Deputy District Attorney (CDDA) of Division II is a senior-level manager responsible for leadership, policy direction, long- and short-range planning, and daily operational oversight of the division. The Division II CDDA has direct supervision over multiple units, including Unit A/B, a minor felony trial unit; the MCDA Access Attorney Program; the Strategic Prosecution and Services Unit, which prosecutes major and minor felonies; and the Support Enforcement Division, which handles child support collection through the initiation of contempt proceedings. In addition to these leadership responsibilities, the Division II CDDA manages a select caseload of complex felony and murder cases.

As part of daily oversight, the Division II CDDA meets regularly with Deputy District Attorneys (DDAs) to discuss case strategy, address legal barriers, and determine appropriate case resolutions. Racial minorities are persistently overrepresented as both crime victims and criminal defendants. Recognizing these disparities, Division II DDAs and DA victim advocates work directly with victims to improve their understanding of the criminal justice system and ensure greater access to services. The CDDA also leads weekly case staffing meetings to determine pretrial plea bargain offers for defendants facing mandatory minimum sentencing on their indicted charges. These decisions incorporate input from crime victims and align with MCDA and County values regarding equity and inclusion.

Beyond internal responsibilities, the Division II CDDA plays a critical role as a criminal justice liaison with external partners focused on gun violence prevention. The CDDA is an active participant in several collaborative working groups, including the Portland Area Gun Initiative, the Portland Police Bureau (PPB) Weekly Shooting Review, and the Community Peace Collaborative. Through this work, the CDDA helps shape policies and strategies aimed at reducing gun violence and enhancing public safety.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY24 Actual	FY25 Budgeted	FY25 Estimate	FY26 Target
Output	Number of Division II criminal cases reviewed for prosecution	2,969	7,500	2,892	2,892
Outcome	Prosecutor contacts with community members and agency partners	32,500	31,000	32,500	32,500

Performance Measures Descriptions

Note on Measure 1: Due to mid-year unit changes between divisions, the case review data will be off from the budgeted data.

Legal / Contractual Obligation

ORS 8.760 Deputies may be authorized and paid by county. The county court or board of county commissioners may empower the district attorney to appoint one or more deputy district attorneys whose compensation shall be fixed by the county court or board of county commissioners and paid out of the county funds in the same manner as county officers are paid. [Amended by 1961 c.586 §4]

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2025	2025	2026	2026
Personnel	\$437,157	\$0	\$442,219	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$8,500	\$0	\$8,500	\$0
Internal Services	\$21,054	\$0	\$586,245	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$466,711	\$0	\$1,036,964	\$0
Program Total:	\$466,711		\$1,036,964	
Program FTE	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2024: 15200 Division II Administration