

Division: Diversion & Strategic Prosecution Division

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Program Description

This program offer preserves limited Strategic Prosecution capacity to respond to emerging crime trends that cause disproportionate harm to community safety, livability, and economic vitality in Multnomah County. Rather than funding fixed, crime-specific task forces, this investment supports a flexible, evidence-based model that allows MCDA to identify, prioritize, and coordinate responses to new crime patterns as they emerge.

Strategic Prosecution uses data, case review, and system-wide coordination to identify high-impact crime trends and determine where focused prosecutorial attention can be most effective. This includes assessing case viability, aligning prosecutorial resources, and convening law enforcement, victim services, and community partners to support targeted, lawful, and efficient responses.

MCDA's role in Strategic Prosecution is distinct from traditional law enforcement functions. The office does not replace investigative responsibilities, but serves as a central facilitator that evaluates legal sufficiency, identifies cross-case patterns, and coordinates prosecution strategies that advance compassionate accountability and maximize public safety impact without duplicating effort.

This program offer restores 1.00 FTE Deputy District Attorney and 1.00 FTE DA Investigator with One-Time-Only (OTO) funding. At this lower staffing level, MCDA will prioritize sustaining existing partnerships and directing resources toward the highest-impact opportunities within available staffing, but, overall, strategic prosecution activities will be reduced in FY 2027

Equity Statement

The Strategic Prosecution expansion supports equity by using objective data and consistent criteria to identify emerging crime trends and guide prosecutorial focus. By targeting responses based on harm and impact, rather than geography or visibility alone, this model helps reduce disparities and ensures resources are applied fairly and effectively.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	2026 General Fund	2026 Other Funds	2027 General Fund	2027 Other Funds
Personnel	\$425,056	\$0	\$489,506	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$425,056	\$0	\$489,506	\$0
Total Expenses:	\$425,056		\$489,506	
Program FTE	2.50	0.00	2.00	0.00
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$175,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue	\$175,000	\$0	\$0	\$0

Performance Measures

Performance Measure	FY25 Actual	FY26 Estimate	FY27 Target
Cases/Search warrants/police reports reviewed			700
Number of contacts with community members and agency partners			1,000