

Division: Diversion & Strategic Prosecution Division

Program Characteristics:

Program Description

The Child Support Enforcement Unit works to ensure that children receive consistent financial support from legally responsible parents. By establishing, modifying, and enforcing child support orders, the unit helps promote family stability and economic security for thousands of children across Multnomah County.

The unit balances accountability with problem-solving approaches, recognizing that some parents face barriers to meeting their obligations. When appropriate, prosecutors work with the courts and community partners to connect parents to employment assistance, substance use treatment, and mental health services that support long-term compliance and family stability.

The Child Support Enforcement Unit also partners in Oregon's Child Support Deferred Sentencing program, which uses a team-based approach to help parents achieve stability and maintain consistent support for their children. Through collaboration with courts, community organizations, and partner agencies, the unit supports durable outcomes that benefit children and families.

Equity Statement

The Child Support Enforcement Unit promotes equitable outcomes by ensuring fair application of child support laws while recognizing barriers faced by parents with limited resources. By connecting parents to supportive services and emphasizing sustained compliance, the unit works to reduce economic disparities and improve stability for children and families.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	2026 General Fund	2026 Other Funds	2027 General Fund	2027 Other Funds
Personnel	\$912,292	\$2,589,096	\$1,012,353	\$2,751,180
Contractual Services	\$0	\$36,027	\$0	\$27,940
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$62,701	\$0	\$64,892
Internal Services	\$209,718	\$1,003,546	\$190,818	\$986,272
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,122,010	\$3,691,370	\$1,203,171	\$3,830,284
Total Expenses:	\$4,813,380		\$5,033,455	
Program FTE	4.76	18.74	4.77	18.85
Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$3,655,785	\$0	\$3,795,784
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$35,585	\$0	\$34,500
Total Revenue	\$0	\$3,691,370	\$0	\$3,830,284

Performance Measures

Performance Measure	FY25 Actual	FY26 Estimate	FY27 Target
Dollars of child support collected (in millions)	26	25	25
Average number of families (cases) assisted each month	5,319	4,600	4,500