



Program #15301C - Organized Retail Theft Task Force FY 2024 Adopted

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Program Offer Type: New **Program Offer Stage:** Adopted

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Executive Summary

The DDA will organize and lead a task force involving law enforcement and retailers to address barriers to tackling retail crime, including improved strategies to address the most prolific offenders, training on loss reduction and investigative work, and case preparation. The outcome of this effort will be a reduction in organized retail theft, a safer environment for consumers, and an improved business climate.

Program Description

The DDA assigned to this position will work with business owners and law enforcement to combat an epidemic of organized retail theft. Unlike shoplifting, organized retail theft involves multiple persons working together to steal merchandise with the intention of reselling for profit. This theft represents nearly \$100 billion in losses for the retail industry nationwide. Small business owners in the community are impacted alongside large retailers. Locally, some retailers, including Nike have closed their operations due to an overwhelming number of merchandise thefts.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budgeted	FY23 Estimate	FY24 Offer
Output	Number of felony theft cases involving a business victim reviewed by prosecutor assigned to the task force	N/A	N/A	N/A	240
Outcome	Percent of referred felony theft cases involving a business victim issued for prosecution by the prosecutor	N/A	N/A	N/A	80%

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2023	2023	2024	2024
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$400,498	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$400,498	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$400,498	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	2.50	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$0	\$175,000	\$0
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$175,000	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

\$175,000 from the City of Portland to fund 1.5 FTE (1 FTE DA Investigator position and .5 FTE Legal Assistant position)

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: