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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Requested
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

Deputy District Attorneys in Unit D (Violent Person Crimes) are responsible for prosecuting the most serious crimes in Multnomah County including hate and bias crimes, child pornography, sexual assaults and homicides. These crimes disproportionately impact BIPOC and LGBTQ communities. Equity is considered in all phases of case review and issuing, pre-trial case resolutions and sentencing. Hate crimes and homicide rates are increasing. Remote meetings, telework and electronic communications are relied on daily due to the Covid pandemic.

Program Summary

Unit D provides prosecution services for victims of the most violent crimes in Multnomah County. Deputy District Attorneys in Unit D seek justice and fairness for survivors and victims of hate and bias crimes, sexual assaults and homicides who are disproportionately members of BIPOC and LGBTQ communities. Deputy District Attorneys work closely with victim advocates who have culturally specific skills and backgrounds. Because those who commit these crimes are also disproportionately represented, Deputy District Attorneys seek equitable resolutions for cases.

Hate and bias crimes are reported and prosecuted at an increasing rate. These cases are highly sensitive and require a trauma informed approach by Unit D prosecutors. Homicide rates have doubled, following national trends and create an increasing caseload in Unit D. The Covid pandemic is believed to be one reason for the increase in homicides, and other factors are undoubtedly also involved.

Data analysis tracks cases screened, issued and resolved in Unit D. Outcome measurements include restitution awarded to victims, and cases resolved with treatment options for offenders when community safety benefits.

The Covid pandemic impacts on Unit D include remote meetings with victims and investigators, remote testimony at grand jury proceedings and some court hearings.

Performance Measures

| Measure Type | Primary Measure | FY20 Actual | FY21 Budgeted | FY21 Estimate | FY22 Offer |
|--------------|---|-------------|---------------|---------------|------------|
| Output | Percentage of presumptively prison eligible defendants diverted from prison to community supervision. | 57.8% | 52% | 52% | 60% |
| Outcome | Percentage of cases with a sexual assault, violent crime, homicide or hate crime survivor. | 94% | 95% | 92% | 95% |

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

| | Adopted General Fund | Adopted Other Funds | Requested General Fund | Requested Other Funds |
|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Program Expenses | 2021 | 2021 | 2022 | 2022 |
| Personnel | \$1,753,079 | \$235,458 | \$1,776,299 | \$66,472 |
| Contractual Services | \$110,000 | \$0 | \$39,000 | \$0 |
| Materials & Supplies | \$29,200 | \$0 | \$11,500 | \$0 |
| Internal Services | \$0 | \$54,438 | \$170,953 | \$15,461 |
| Total GF/non-GF | \$1,892,279 | \$289,896 | \$1,997,752 | \$81,933 |
| Program Total: | \$2,182,175 | | \$2,079,685 | |
| Program FTE | 8.00 | 1.00 | 8.00 | 0.26 |

| Program Revenues | | | | |
|----------------------|------------|------------------|------------|-----------------|
| Intergovernmental | \$0 | \$289,896 | \$0 | \$81,933 |
| Total Revenue | \$0 | \$289,896 | \$0 | \$81,933 |

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$15,461 in indirect revenues.
 \$81,933 = IGA with the City of Portland for BJA National Sexual Kit Initiative (SAKI) Grant Funds

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2021: 15304 Unit D - Violent Person Crimes

The Sexual Assault Kit Initiative (SAKI) grant will end 9/1/21 resulting in a loss of personnel funding of \$188,506 from 15304A. A new program offer 15304B - Unit D - Gun Violence restores the lost funding with general funds.

Internal service charges are increased reflecting a change to allocate facilities, data, distribution, telecommunications, and fleet services in individual units. Previously these costs were consolidated in 15001 - Administrative Support Services, 15002 - Information Technology, and the Division I, II, III, and IV Administration program offers.