



Program #15901 - Gun Violence Case Management (ARPA) FY 2024 Department Requested

Department: District Attorney **Program Contact:** Don Rees
Program Offer Type: Existing **Program Offer Stage:** Department Requested
Related Programs: 15304B
Program Characteristics: Backfill State/Federal/Grant, Out of Target

Executive Summary

In September 2021, the Board made a mid-year investment of \$1.05 million of American Rescue Plan funds to support four limited duration deputy district attorneys and two limited duration investigators for 9 months. This program continues that funding for two deputy district attorneys and two investigators, while the remaining two deputy district attorneys will be funded with ongoing General Fund in Program Offer 15304B - Gun Violence Case Backlog.

Program Description

This program is part of a national effort to recover from the impacts of the COVID 19 pandemic. Gun violence—shootings and homicides—increased in Multnomah County at record rates, exceeding all historical norms during the last year. Multnomah County now has one of the highest homicide rates in the United States. This violence disproportionately impacts BIPOC people and communities. Prosecutors respond to all homicide scenes to assist investigators. There are a limited number of prosecutors with the experience and training to handle these complex cases. This program funds two prosecutors and two investigators assigned to gun violence reduction efforts in the community and to assist existing staff.

In addition to the increased rates of violent gun related crime, prosecutors face an enormous backlog of cases due to pandemic related court slowdowns. As the courts reopen, this backlog of cases requires additional prosecutors and investigators to assist victims and witnesses and to seek case resolutions that will improve community safety.

Prosecutors utilize a public health model and an equity and racial justice approach to reduce harm, hold offenders accountable, and help survivors and victims of gun violence heal. When appropriate and to increase community safety, offenders receive court supervised drug, alcohol and mental health treatment programs rather than incarceration.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budgeted	FY23 Estimate	FY24 Offer
Output	Number of gun violence cases prosecuted.	220	N/A	208	220
Outcome	Number of BIPOC offenders diverted from prison to treatment based case resolutions.	11	N/A	14	20

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Department Requested General Fund	Department Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2023	2023	2024	2024
Personnel	\$0	\$821,802	\$0	\$746,268
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$821,802	\$0	\$746,268
Program Total:	\$821,802		\$746,268	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$821,802	\$0	\$746,268
Total Revenue	\$0	\$821,802	\$0	\$746,268

Explanation of Revenues

American Rescue Plan (ARP) Direct County Funding - \$746,268

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2023: 15901 ARP - Gun Violence Case Backlog