

Program #25026D - ADVSD - Public Guardian Training and Monitoring Support

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program Program Offer Stage: As Adopted

Related Programs: 25026A

Program Characteristics: One-Time-Only Request

Executive Summary

The Aging, Disability & Veterans Services Division (ADVSD) Public Guardian and Conservator Program (PGC) supports older adults, people with disabilities, and Veterans under court authority. PGC proposes to provide one-time contingency funding to support providing guardianship monitoring and fiduciary education for court-appointed fiduciaries in Multnomah County during a six-month transition to sustainable funding.

Program Summary

ISSUE: PGC established a contract with a nonprofit organization in September 2014. The program developed and operated by the nonprofit is now well established in Multnomah County and expanding to other counties in Oregon. This program offer provides one-time-only funding in FY 2020.

PROGRAM GOAL: The goal is to provide fiduciary training for court-appointed fiduciaries and monitoring services for people under guardianship, conservatorship, and other types of surrogate decision-making authority. These community based services are a vital resource for the local circuit court and provide additional support to the PGC program as an essential part of the County's response system to reduce financial fraud, abuse, and neglect. PGC and this contracted program supports the DCHS strategy to reduce abuse and neglect in order to improve independence, health, and safety.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: The nonprofit has developed an education and resource program for court-appointed fiduciaries (guardians, conservators, trustees, personal representatives) to protect individuals who are subject to protective proceedings. The Multnomah County Circuit Court, Probate Department now mandates completion of the education class for newly appointed fiduciaries. Participants are required to pay a fee for the class and fee waivers are available through a court approval process. Approximately 1,500 fiduciaries are completing the class annually in Multnomah County. Trained volunteers monitor and conduct visits with individuals under guardianship, offering support to fiduciaries and submitting reports to the court for further review as necessary. Monitors frequently provide resources to further assist all parties involved with the protected individual and court action resulting in restoration of rights has resulted in a number of cases upon further review by the court. The program has volunteers in five counties. 65% of all their monitoring visits occur in Multnomah County.

Performar	Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY18 Actual	FY19 Purchased	FY19 Estimate	FY20 Offer				
Output	# of monitoring visits in Multnomah County	86	150	125	150				
Outcome	% of class participants reporting improved skills or knowledge	88%	88%	91%	95%				

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	
Program Expenses	2019	2019	2020	2020	
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$0	
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$25,000	\$0	
Program Total: \$0		0	\$25,000		
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

Program Revenues					
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: