

Program #25135 - YFS - Sex Trafficked Youth Services 7/24/2020

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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Everyone should be able to grow up in an environment free of danger and abuse. Youth who become victims of sex trafficking need a system of care that helps them move into safe and stable adulthood. The Youth Trafficking program is part of a multi-department, multi-agency collaborative that provides survivors with safety services, shelter, case management, and other services to escape forced prostitution. These highly intensive and population-specific shelter and Assertive Engagement services are designed to intervene with this significantly traumatized group of youth. These services are contracted to non-profits. YFS staff support program development through convening providers, providing technical assistance and contract monitoring.

Program Summary

ISSUE: The Pacific Northwest has gained the unenviable reputation as a hub for sex trafficking of minors. An estimated 400-600 youth are trafficked each year in Multnomah County. Youth are typically trafficked commercially, through gang involvement, or as a result of domestic violence and exploitative romantic relationships, and are unable to leave this situation due to exploitation and abuse.

PROGRAM GOAL: The goal of the Sex Trafficked Youth services system is to ensure that youth who have been trafficked can move past trauma, create hope, address economic instability, and obtain stable housing through a collaborative approach to services and recovery.

PROGRAM ACTIVITY: Services include trafficking prevention, drop-in services, mobile crisis services, confidential advocacy, and short-term housing, Assertive Engagement case management services, outreach to survivors, education, system support and coordination, ongoing program development through the Youth Sex Trafficking Collaborative, and administrative program support for the collaborative.

Services are provided in a holistic manner and include collaboration with the Department of Community Justice, law enforcement, courts, Oregon Department of Human Services Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice, the Homeless Youth System, the Domestic & Sexual Violence System, and community-based advocates including those specializing in mental health, trauma and crime victims services.

Services are available when youth are ready to engage and tailored to youth based on their specific needs, including culturally specific services for youth of color and those who identify as LGBTQ.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budgeted	FY20 Estimate	FY21 Offer
Output	Number of youth engaged in case management supports.	64	60 ¹	60	85 ²
Outcome	Percent of youth who remained enrolled in services for at least six months.	83%	70%	70%	70%

Performance Measures Descriptions

¹Current year was originally budgeted at 80 youth, but target was lowered to 60 youth mid-year due to the high-needs caseloads served through this program, as well as the significant barriers to housing for this population resulting in the need for longer and more intensive services.
²Next year offer reflects additional case management capacity funded through the IGA with the City of Portland.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds
Program Expenses	2020	2020	2021	2021
Contractual Services	\$534,002	\$0	\$577,360	\$310,000
Materials & Supplies	\$87	\$0	\$0	\$0
Internal Services	\$13,686	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$547,775	\$0	\$577,360	\$310,000
Program Total:	\$547,775		\$887,360	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$310,000
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$310,000

Explanation of Revenues

\$310,000 - City of Portland

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2020: 25135-20 YFS - Sex Trafficked Youth - Victims System of Care

The addition of \$310,000 in revenue through an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Portland has added capacity to this programming in the areas of case management, housing support, outreach and prevention.