

Department: County Human Services **Program Contact:** Peggy Samolinski
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Social and Support Services for Educational Success program (SSSES) fosters academic achievement by providing year-round, school-linked, age-appropriate and culturally-specific academic support, case management, family engagement, and skill building groups. In 2014, SSSES served over 1,900 high-risk youth, 92% of whom identify as ethnic minorities. SSSES is part of the SUN Service System, a countywide, integrated and coordinated system of care for school-aged youth and their families.

Program Summary

Social and Support Services for Educational Success provides services for 1,900 high-risk youth (ages 6-17) and their families annually to help ensure that youth remain in or return to school. These services are delivered at community and school sites to youth attending regular and/or alternative schools who are at risk of academic failure. SSSES targets six specific populations of youth and families of color: African American, African Immigrant, Asian Pacific Islander, Latino, Native American and Slavic. Key services include: case management with a focus on academic and life goals; advocacy in disciplinary and educational meetings; skill-building groups; academic support activities such as tutoring, mentoring, reading club, gender-specific groups, and conflict resolution classes; and parent outreach/engagement. SSSES staff work in collaboration with SUN Community Schools and other school personnel towards youth and family success.

Youth who participate in the SSSES program are at risk for academic failure due to poor attendance, failing grades, language barriers, family instability and behavior issues. Case managers support and mentor youth, allowing them to build personal assets leading to school and life success. SSSES staff engage youth at risk for academic failure in a variety of school and community activities. SSSES services that meet basic needs allow youth to focus on school and provides their caregivers with the resources to support educational success. Youth in the SSSES program consistently show improvements in school attendance and gain enough credits to be on track to graduate; in addition, annually nearly 90% of 9th, 10th and 11th grade SSSES youth return for their next year of high school. Increased access to social services and additional learning opportunities outside of, but connected to the classroom, are promising practices for reducing the achievement gap. SSSES provides this link - in schools and in the community.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY14 Actual	FY15 Purchased	FY15 Estimate	FY16 Offer
Output	# of students (ages 6-18) served ¹	1,908	1,750	1,700	1,650
Outcome	% who make progress on academic goals ²	96%	90%	90%	90%

Performance Measures Descriptions

¹ Output for FY15 reflects a 7% reduction to reflect a possible reduction in grant funding from the State of Oregon due to grant expiration. ² Outcomes are analyzed for students who participate in case management for 45 days or more with at least 15 hours of service; 1,229 youth participated at this level last year.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2015	2015	2016	2016
Personnel	\$103,733	\$0	\$107,039	\$0
Contractual Services	\$1,912,188	\$302,582	\$1,954,256	\$223,776
Materials & Supplies	\$1,114	\$0	\$1,850	\$0
Internal Services	\$11,547	\$15,098	\$10,860	\$16,224
Total GF/non-GF	\$2,028,582	\$317,680	\$2,074,005	\$240,000
Program Total:	\$2,346,262		\$2,314,005	
Program FTE	1.00	0.00	1.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Indirect for Dept. Admin	\$8,018	\$0	\$10,160	\$0
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$317,680	\$0	\$240,000
Total Revenue	\$8,018	\$317,680	\$10,160	\$240,000

Explanation of Revenues

\$240,000 - OCCF Youth Development Council: Based on current award

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2015: 25149A Social & Support Services for Educational Success