

**Department:** County Human Services      **Program Contact:** Peggy Samolinski  
**Program Offer Type:** Innovative/New Program      **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted  
**Related Programs:** 25155A  
**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

This offer requests \$160,000 County General Fund support to expand direct client services offered through the Sexual Minority Youth Resource Center (SMYRC). The county investment leverages a 24% cash match from the agency to operate and deliver services at the SMYRC.

**Program Summary**

The SUN Service System currently funds two program components at the SMYRC: direct services including counseling, case management and leadership development, and training and technical assistance for community members and staff. Funding through this offer will increase the service delivery capacity at the SMYRC.

Services and activities offered at SMYRC increase awareness of issues faced by LGBTQ youth, build positive peer connections, support leadership development, and encourage community engagement. The numbers of youth who seek safety and support services at the SMYRC has grown steadily in recent years. From FY13 to FY14 they had a 30% increase in the number of youth seeking services. The program has not been able to expand staffing or programming and related supports to engage with youth represented by this increase. The youth who attend the Center are high-risk for homelessness, addiction and suicide, or they have experienced these issues in the past year. Having a safe supportive social service program like the SMYRC can positively impact a young person's sense of belonging, personal well-being and ultimately, academic performance.

This expanded program will allow SMYRC to hire additional staff in order to continue to offer consistent hours for the drop-in center, and to double the numbers of youth who can be served in more intensive programming, such as counseling and case management, along with leadership development and training activities. The SMYRC has built strong partnerships with Cascadia (counseling) and Portland State University (case management) in order to provide these deeper service options for youth who choose to engage through the Center.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY14 Actual	FY15 Purchased	FY15 Estimate	FY16 Offer
Output	Number of youth who engage in either case management or counseling	-	-	-	35
Outcome	Percentage of youth who engage in service who remain in or re-enroll in school	-	-	-	75%

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2015	2015	2016	2016
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$160,000	\$0
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$160,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$160,000</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: