

Program #50032 - Adult Community Service - Bench Probation

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Department:Community JusticeProgram Contact:Erika PreuittProgram Offer Type:Existing Operating ProgramProgram Offer Stage:As Adopted

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Adult Community Service program (CS) for Bench Probation assists the courts by providing an effective, cost-efficient sentence/sanction for offenders who are supervised directly by a Judge. CS promotes public safety by engaging corrections clients in a pro-social occupation of their time, as well as teaching pro-social skills and promoting anti-criminal thinking patterns.

Program Summary

CS for Bench Probation provides direct visibility of offenders as they restore the damage done to the community as a result of criminal actions. These offenders do not have a Parole/Probation Officer (PPO) and report directly to the sentencing Judge. In addition to the placement and monitoring of bench probation clients, CS staff work with individuals participating in Project Clean Slate (PCS). PCS converts outstanding financial obligations for minor criminal and/or civil matters into community service work. The CS office interviews PCS participants, assigns them to a community service project, supervises the work, maintains a file for each case and reports back to the Court regarding each participant's compliance.

CS is responsible for coordinating community service work sites at public and non-profit agency locations, supervising each offender's community service and providing offender status reports to the Courts. Over 100 non-profit community organizations use offenders in DCJ's CS program for non-paid work. Along with being an alternative sentence/sanction to jail, CS also provides offenders the chance to give back by improving the livability of the community through the work that is accomplished in this program. In partnership, CS and PCS play an assisting role in clearing outstanding warrants and court obligations that often impede an individual's ability to find stable housing, employment and/or financial assistance.

CS exemplifies cost-efficient cooperation and collaboration between the criminal justice system and public/non-profit agencies by providing a cost savings equivalent to over 10,000 jail bed days per year. Court ordered CS has also generated over \$390,000 of unpaid work benefiting the community in FY 2013.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY13 Actual	FY14 Purchased	FY14 Estimate	FY15 Offer			
Output	Annual dollars of unpaid work provided to the community	\$391,004	\$230,000	\$343,000	\$345,000			
Outcome	Number of jail beds saved	10,909	2,500	10,125	10,000			

Performance Measures Descriptions

FY14 purchased estimates are low in anticipation of the possible effects of an internal reorganization that did not ultimately impact productivity.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2014	2014	2015	2015
Personnel	\$253,091	\$0	\$259,423	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$780	\$0	\$780	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$253,871	\$0	\$260,203	\$0
Program Total:	\$253,871		\$260,203	
Program FTE	3.00	0.00	3.00	0.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: 50049 Adult Community Service-Bench Probation