

**Program #40038B - Public Health Approach to Preventing Community Violence** 4/15/2016

**Department:** Health Department **Program Contact:** Noelle Wiggins  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Proposed  
**Related Programs:** 40038A, 40045  
**Program Characteristics:** Backfill State/Federal/Grant

**Executive Summary**

We face a national epidemic of violence that disparately affects communities of color, resulting in high rates of illness and death, a stressed health care system, and community trauma that demands a population level approach. Homicide is a leading cause of death for African American men nationally, and disparities in homicide rates have been identified as requiring immediate intervention. This offer supports the County's only coordinated public health approach to preventing and reducing community violence through efforts that build community capacity and promote economic development.

**Program Summary**

STRYVE (Striving to Reduce Youth Violence Everywhere) increases capacity to prevent the violence that disparately affects communities of color, focusing on African American and Latino youth in geographic areas that have been subject to disinvestment and displacement. STRYVE's key change agents are community health workers (CHWs) who are members of the communities they serve. STRYVE CHWs address community trauma and increase resilience while building system capacity to use a public health approach to violence.

This approach has been identified by the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council as necessary to a comprehensive strategy for preventing and reducing violence. STRYVE has served as a crucial connector, providing linkages across agencies and frameworks and capacity for efforts including the Defending Childhood Initiative and Black Male Achievement Portland. To date STRYVE has engaged over 100 community organizations and partners, and conducted outreach with over 4,000 residents while offering over 300 hours of training and presentations. Program implementation has expanded from four communities to seven across Multnomah County, engaging over 100 youth in 380 curriculum sessions and providing 11,750 hours of summer employment through a crucial partnership with SummerWorks.

STRYVE's long term sustainability plan includes providing contracts and mentorship to community organizations (e.g. alternative schools and community centers) to implement two evidence-based strategies. The program will add a component focusing on young African American fathers who are at risk of violence, providing crucial opportunities for economic development and advancement. As partners become self-sufficient, STRYVE staff expands efforts to new partners. An upcoming 112-hour training for a cohort of 25 CHWs with a specialty in violence prevention drew over 45 applicants. These CHWs will act as multipliers, further building community capacity. In addition, we are looking to replicate Los Angeles successful "Parks After Dark" as part of our sustainability plan.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY15 Actual	FY16 Purchased	FY16 Estimate	FY17 Offer
Output	Youth and community members engaged in STRYVE activities*	1,500	1,000	3,000	1,500
Outcome	Implementation of the STRYVE Comprehensive Youth Violence Prevention Plan.	33%	66%	100%	100%
Output	Youth employment hours completed.	6,855	9,000	9,000	9,000
Output	Number of STRYVE Coalition meetings**	3	10	6	6

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

\*Numbers reported overlap for 2 months between FY15 and FY16 due to FY15 sole funding being from the CDC whose FY2015 funding cycle ended August 31,2015, while the CGF funding commenced July 1, 2015. \*\*Coalition is being redesigned, in alignment with CDC sustainability plan, and thus far has included 4 Coalition planning sessions. STRYVE aims to initiate a community led Coalition by recruiting from the upcoming cohort of 25 CHW's with a focus in violence prevention.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2016	2016	2017	2017
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$241,527	\$0
Contractual Services	\$0	\$0	\$140,000	\$0
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$0	\$68,473	\$0
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$450,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$0</b>		<b>\$450,000</b>	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	2.83	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: