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

Executive Summary

Research has shown offender behavior change requires a balance of supervision, services and sanctions. Sanctions are a part of sound correctional practice. A Vera Institute study dated December 2007 shows alternative sanctions have a greater impact on offender behavior than jail beds alone. Other studies demonstrate Day Reporting Centers, Community Service and other program-based sanctions result in a decrease in recidivism. This program provides Parole/Probation Officers (PPO) an array of less expensive, more effective sanctioning options than incarceration alone.

Program Summary

Sanctions are imposed by PPOs to address supervision violations. Typically, these violations are not new crimes. Sanctions are used to hold offenders accountable and promote offender behavior change. To be effective, a continuum of sanctioning incorporates options ranging from least restrictive to incarceration. A range of options allows the PPO to impose a sanction equal to the severity of the violation.

This program offer will enable DCJ to provide immediate access to the Change Center, Community Service (CS) and Electronic Monitoring (EM) for offenders who would otherwise be sanctioned to jail.

Jail beds are the most expensive sanctioning option available for PPOs and have been shown to be the least effective option for changing offender behavior. Because of the high cost, jail beds should remain available for the highest risk offenders who cannot be managed successfully in the community and pose risk.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY15 Actual	FY16 Purchased	FY16 Estimate	FY17 Offer
Output	Average number of alternative sanctions recommended per month	217	250	210	250
Outcome	Average number of revocations per month	24	25	25	25
Outcome	Average number of DCJ jail bed days saved monthly	1,900	1,200	1,500	1,200

Performance Measures Descriptions

Savings are calculated based on the benchmark of 445 jail beds occupancy for DCJ clients.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2016	2016	2017	2017
Personnel	\$903,262	\$0	\$910,298	\$0
Contractual Services	\$198,289	\$0	\$160,979	\$35,311
Materials & Supplies	\$12,470	\$0	\$3,040	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,114,021	\$0	\$1,074,317	\$35,311
Program Total:	\$1,114,021		\$1,109,628	
Program FTE	9.50	0.00	9.50	0.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2016: 50040-16 Adult Effective Sanctioning Practices