



Program #50065 - Juvenile Community Healing Initiative (CHI) 4/21/2021

Department: Community Justice **Program Contact:** Tracey Freeman
Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Proposed
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

Community Healing Initiative (CHI) provides culturally specific, holistic, family-based, wraparound services to medium and high risk Black, African American, and Latinx youth and their families. CHI is a family and community-centered collaboration designed to stop youth and gang violence in Multnomah County by addressing its root causes.

Program Summary

This collaborative paradigm between the Department of Community Justice (DCJ) and community-based providers is a joint system responsibility that entails shared financial resources and investments, shared system outcomes, and shared risk. CHI applies supervision, intervention, and prevention strategies to youth and families who have recent involvement with high-risk activities and behaviors relevant to violence/gun violence. Within CHI, each family receives a comprehensive assessment and individualized family service plan. Services are tailored to meet a family's individual needs and integrated in a manner that reduces and prevents gang/gun violence. The majority of youth served by CHI are on probation to the Juvenile Court, though 20% of referrals can come from the community.

A network of public safety and social service agencies, and community-based organizations known as the Youth, Family and Community Team build service capacity, promote integrated case management, increase connection to ethnic communities in the metropolitan area, and augment community safety. The team focuses on sustainability through fostering family and community ownership and empowerment. Team services are evidence-based, culturally specific, and family oriented. The family service plans address criminogenic needs that most closely link with recidivism and youth violence. In addition, CHI youth and parents receive culturally specific mentoring services from mentors with lived experience.

The goals of CHI are to prevent youth of color from committing new crimes and penetrating further into the justice system. Culturally competent, strength-based programs that are delivered in homes, schools, and the community are shown to be most effective with disenfranchised youth. CHI has a proven track record of preventing unnecessary and expensive placement in residential programs and confinement in correctional facilities.

The COVID-19 pandemic impacted the operations of this program. CHI providers shifted to virtual outreach and have developed creative ways to continue to stay engaged with the youth and their families.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY20 Actual	FY21 Budgeted	FY21 Estimate	FY22 Offer
Output	Number of Black, African American, and Latinx youth referred through Juvenile service	99	100	100	100
Outcome	Percent of Black, African American, and Latinx youth who did not receive a new adjudication after entering ser	72%	75%	75%	75%

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2021	2021	2022	2022
Contractual Services	\$1,815,405	\$169,787	\$1,046,133	\$900,000
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,815,405	\$169,787	\$1,046,133	\$900,000
Program Total:	\$1,985,192		\$1,946,133	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$169,787	\$0	\$900,000
Total Revenue	\$0	\$169,787	\$0	\$900,000

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund plus \$900,000 Oregon Youth Authority Gang Transition Services. Biennium 2021-2023 budget per 2021-23 OYA Proposed County Funding. Funding provides culturally specific services to medium and high risk youth of color and their families to prevent youths from committing new crimes and penetrating further into the justice system. FY 2022 is 49% allocation for the 1st year of 2021-2023 biennium budget.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2021: 50065A Juvenile Community Healing Initiative (CHI)

Contractual Services - In FY 2022, DCJ reallocated spending of the Oregon Youth Authority revenue funding to prioritize funding community contracts rather than personnel expenses in program offer (50058). The General Fund budget decreased in (50065) and increased in (50058) due to this reallocation. This shift is allowable under the Oregon Youth Authority funding guidelines.