

**Program #50065B - CHI Early Intervention & Community Connection** 2/17/2017

**Department:** Community Justice **Program Contact:** Rosa Garcia  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Requested  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:** In Target

**Executive Summary**

In our community, there is a significant need to reduce racial and ethnic disparities in the juvenile justice system and to focus on and apply early intervention services. The Community Healing Initiative (CHI) Early Intervention and Diversion Program is a community based and family-focused effort designed to prevent and reduce delinquency, address root causes and augment community safety and connection. Culturally specific nonprofits provide services, supports and referrals calibrated to the level of risk and family needs for youth who have committed lower level offenses for the first time.

**Program Summary**

CHI is an emerging and innovative overarching best practice for preventing and reducing juvenile justice involvement and addressing racial and ethnic disparities. At the community level, CHI is essential to building capacity and safety in communities of color.

Started July 2015, the Early Intervention and Diversion Program is a countywide effort for all first-time justice involved youth with a qualifying low level offense based on the CHI model. All qualified youth are referred to community-based providers that offer care coordination, pro-social programming and referrals to needed services. Risk and needs are assessed through validated tools and the program uses assertive engagement to focus on those youth with the highest needs. Program coordinators are assigned to a caseload of youth to develop service plans tailored to meet the individual youth and family situation. School connection/re-connection assistance, counseling, youth development activities (e.g. sports, arts) and parent support/parenting classes are among the most critical areas of need. Over 300 youth will be served by this program. Previously, these youth would have received a warning letter from the Juvenile Services Division (JSD) after contact with law enforcement.

Also included in this program offer is funding to provide gang prevention and intervention services for Native American and Asian/Pacific Islander youth and their families.

Youth of color experience exclusionary school discipline, disconnection from school and a lack of educational attainment at disproportionate rates in Multnomah County. These factors, along with trauma have been cited as contributors to behavioral health challenges, delinquency and gang involvement in our community.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY16 Actual	FY17 Purchased	FY17 Estimate	FY18 Offer
Output	Number of youth served	450	450	400	400
Outcome	Percent of youth engaging in community-based support services	67%	65%	65%	65%

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Measure 2 Note: This performance measure refers to youth served by POIC and Latino Network  
 Measure 3 (number of youth receiving school advocacy services) Removed: Alignment to Core Function

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2017	2017	2018	2018
Contractual Services	\$770,491	\$0	\$597,915	\$0
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$770,491</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$597,915</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$770,491</b>		<b>\$597,915</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

County General Fund

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2017: 50065B CHI Early Intervention & Community Connection

In FY 2018 contract funding for culturally specific gang prevention for Asian youth is reduced \$90k and contract funding for educational legal advocacy is eliminated.