



Program #50065B - CHI Early Intervention & Youth Gang Prevention Services 3/4/2020

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

Executive Summary

There is a significant need to reduce racial and ethnic disparities in the Multnomah County 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. 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. Previously, these youth would have received a warning letter from the Juvenile Services Division (JSD) after contact with law enforcement.

Lastly, also included is funding to provide gang prevention services to culturally specific organizations. Services target gang impacted youth and their families and are aligned with the Multnomah County Strategic Plan to address gang violence based on the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Comprehensive Gang Model Implementation Plan.

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 Multnomah County.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY19 Actual	FY20 Budgeted	FY20 Estimate	FY21 Offer
Output	Number of CHI Early Intervention youth referred	246	275	250	250
Outcome	Percent of CHI Early Intervention youth engaging in community-based support services	82%	65%	75%	75%
Output	Number of youth who receive gang prevention services	139	100	125	125

Performance Measures Descriptions

Measure 4 Eliminated: Data for measure (previously obtained from contractor) no longer available. Prior measure language: Percent of youth enrolled in school at time of exit from Youth Gang Prevention Services.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Requested General Fund	Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2020	2020	2021	2021
Personnel	\$60,409	\$60,409	\$0	\$0
Contractual Services	\$517,018	\$0	\$250,923	\$281,611
Materials & Supplies	\$260	\$0	\$0	\$0
Internal Services	\$0	\$10,342	\$0	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$577,687	\$70,751	\$250,923	\$281,611
Program Total:	\$648,438		\$532,534	
Program FTE	0.50	0.50	0.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$70,751	\$0	\$281,611
Total Revenue	\$0	\$70,751	\$0	\$281,611

Explanation of Revenues

County General Fund plus \$281,611 from Oregon Department of Education, Youth Development Division. Funding is allocated to the Culturally Specific/Community Healing Initiative (CHI) /Gang Prevention Unit providing prevention and intervention services to at risk youth or gang impacted youth and their families. Unit provides employment/educational skills to youth, and strengthens parenting skills of families and guardians. This is a 48% allocation for the 2nd year of the 2019-2021 biennial budget.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2020: 50065B-20 CHI Early Intervention & Youth Gang Prevention Services

This program offer is reduced by 1.00 FTE program specialist senior that transfers to another DCJ program in FY 2021 (refer # 50066).