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Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Requested
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

CHI Mentoring services are based on a key theme emerging from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Comprehensive Community Gang Model. A key theme in the resulting assessment report was the need for “mentors that get it,” meaning mentors who have lived the experience of gangs, to work with youth who are already involved with gangs or at risk of becoming involved.

Program Summary

Community Healing Initiative (CHI) Mentoring Services is a prevention and intervention strategy aimed at reducing youth involvement in gangs. CHI Mentoring Services target gang involved youth or youth who are at risk for gang involvement ages 11-18 years. Mentoring is delivered as an additional service component within the existing Community Healing Initiative program of the Juvenile Services Division, with youth who are on probation being the first priority. CHI is a family and community centered collaboration designed to stop youth and gang violence in Multnomah County by addressing its root causes. CHI provides culturally specific and evidence based services to medium and high risk youth and their families. Mentoring services are targeted to last 6 months to a year for each youth involved in the program, as research has shown that relationships that persist over a longer period of time produce more positive outcomes (Clayton 2009).

Gang Violence has been a growing concern in Multnomah County and traditional efforts at suppression have not stopped gang violence. Providing mentoring services designed to serve the juvenile justice population is a strategy for addressing the gang issues in our community. Programs that provide mentoring for youth serve not only to establish positive nurturing relationships with adults, but also to provide pathways to increased opportunities in education and employment in the community. In addition, research has shown that juvenile justice youth who have participated in various mentoring programs had a reduction in recidivism compared to youth who did not receive mentoring services (Clayton 2009). Mentors help disconnected youth reintegrate back into their communities and stay focused on positive aspects of their lives.

African American and Latino youth are served by the CHI mentors. Potential impacts are great for these two populations. Based on our OJJDP Gang Assessment one of the key interventions identified that was needed were mentors with lived experience. Mentors can connect young people to community and pro-social activities, be a support in understanding struggles the young person encounters and offer guidance. Potential impact is to stop youth's penetration into correctional facilities by keeping youth connected to their community.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY16 Actual	FY17 Purchased	FY17 Estimate	FY18 Offer
Output	Number of youth served	47	60	55	55
Outcome	Percent of youth demonstrating increased involvement in pro-social activities	85%	90%	90%	90%

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2017	2017	2018	2018
Contractual Services	\$223,520	\$0	\$227,200	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$223,520	\$0	\$227,200	\$0
Program Total:	\$223,520		\$227,200	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	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 2017: 50065C CHI Mentoring