

Program #15401B - Victim Assistance Program - Victim Advocate (1.00 FTE)

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Department:District AttorneyProgram Contact:Paul WeatheroyProgram Offer Type:Existing Operating ProgramProgram Offer Stage:As Requested

Related Programs: 15401 - Victim Assistance Program

Program Characteristics: Backfill State/Federal/Grant, Out of Target

Executive Summary

The program funds 1.00 FTE Victim Advocate. Funding was previously provided by the State of Oregon Department of Justice Crime Victim Services Division. The primary goal of the Victim Assistance and Restitution Recovery Program is to make the criminal justice system more responsive to individual citizens, particularly to victims of crime.

Program Summary

Victim Advocates work directly with crime victims to explain the criminal justice system, including what rights are available to them; provide court accompaniment; offer referral information to appropriate community services and guide victims through the prosecution process.

The program also provides 24-hour on-call response to victims of sexual assault. We carry out this effort with a team of paid staff and over 40 volunteers. This immediate crisis intervention service is then followed by ongoing support and advocacy throughout the investigation and prosecution of the case.

Currently there is an enhanced focus on improving all aspects of obtaining restitution for victims of crime. As a result of this focus impressive improvements have been made, and other possibilities for improvement are being studied. Last year, the Restitution Recovery Program assisted 2,500 victims, and helped victims claim \$7,000,000 in restitution.

All victims of crimes being prosecuted by the District Attorney's Office receive information about their rights as victims, an opportunity to submit information about their losses for restitution, and notification letters on the case status and disposition.

Performance Measures									
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY16 Actual	FY17 Purchased	FY17 Estimate	FY18 Offer				
Output									
Outcome									

Performance Measures Descriptions

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Article I Section 42 Oregon Constitution - Rights of Victims in criminal prosecutions and juvenile delinquency proceedings. ORS 147.405, ORS 147.410, ORS 147.417 - Victim to be notified of constitutional rights. ORS 147.22 - Disbursement of moneys to be used for comprehensive victim's assistance programs.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	
Program Expenses	2017	2017	2018	2018	
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$83,009	\$0	
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$83,009	\$0	
Program Total:	\$0		\$83,009		
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	

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

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: