

Department: Sheriff **Program Contact:** Michael Shults
Program Offer Type: Innovative/New Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Requested
Related Programs:
Program Characteristics: Out of Target

Executive Summary

The Sheriff's Office has set suicide prevention as a primary goal and is committed to providing a safe and secure housing environment for all inmates, including ones in need of enhanced watch services. This program offer increases overtime funding so that the budget more closely matches the suicide prevention need and provides a bridge while the longer term housing redesign is completed which will provide the suicide watch services at a lower cost.

Program Summary

Inmates in our jails often have diagnosed mental health issues, can be experiencing depression and are usually at a time of crisis in their lives. Some of these inmates can be seriously contemplating suicide, and are at high risk for taking self-destructive actions. Suicide watch allows for a deputy to be there to support the inmate while observing behavior and ensuring that harmful actions are not taken. Corrections Health medical staff have an inmate care process in place to determine if inmates are in need of these suicide prevention services, assigning watch criteria to those who would benefit from it. The number of cases has doubled in the past three years, which has a significant impact on the Sheriff's overtime budget, since there is not available staff to cover this additional requirement.

This program offers increases the overtime funding equivalent to an additional post which is a step towards more closely matching the actual need experienced in the past 3 years.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY14 Actual	FY15 Purchased	FY15 Estimate	FY16 Offer
Output	Number of additional suicide watch hours worked	34,224	8,760	22,383	20,000
Outcome	Number of suicide attempts	43	0	45	45

Performance Measures Descriptions

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Federal law, state statute and county charter mandate the Sheriff maintain the local detention facility(s) within the Sheriff's jurisdiction. Under the same laws, local detention facility managers are mandated to operate safe and humane facilities.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2015	2015	2016	2016
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$600,000	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$600,000	\$0
Program Total:	\$0		\$600,000	
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: