

**Department:** Sheriff **Program Contact:** Chris Austin  
**Program Offer Type:** Existing Operating Program **Program Offer Stage:** As Adopted  
**Related Programs:**  
**Program Characteristics:**

**Executive Summary**

Members of the Facility Security Unit (FSU) serve as ambassadors of MCSO, and are often the first point of contact for persons accessing the Multnomah County Courthouse, Justice Center, and the East County Courthouse. Facility Security Officers (FSO) deter the introduction of weapons into the courts by screening entrants via x- ray and metal detection equipment and provide emergency response to alarms, medical issues, and disruptions to the court process. In addition, FSOs serve as a primary source of information to the public and professional staff entering the court facilities.

**Program Summary**

Facility Security Officers serve as the first point of contact for public and professional visitors to all county courthouses. Their comprehensive understanding of the judicial process and familiarity with the courthouses and their functions is critical to providing accurate information to assist in expediting access to the judicial system.

FSOs provide citizens and employees with a safe and secure environment to conduct their business by screening all persons entering the court facilities. This mission is accomplished by utilizing electronic security screening and conducting security patrols of both internal and external areas of the facilities.

Persons entering the courts may be emotionally distraught, under the influence of intoxicants, or involved in situations of abuse. FSOs are focused on providing a positive point of contact, aimed at calming the tension that can exist in volatile court matters. This is accomplished through effective communication skills and providing information to those less familiar with the judicial system.

The core functions of the FSU are public safety, security, emergency assistance, information, and referrals. The presence of uniformed FSOs aids in deterring disturbances and criminal activity in the courts and assists in increasing the efficiency of court processes, saving public resources. The effectiveness of FSOs is demonstrated in the high number of public contacts, low ratio of exclusions to the number of persons screened, and the number of prohibited items detected during security screening.

**Performance Measures**

Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY18 Actual	FY19 Purchased	FY19 Estimate	FY20 Offer
Output	Number of members of the public screened for entry	530,157	500,000	490,000	500,000
Outcome	Number of employees/other agency staff screened	na/-	na/-	355,490	370,000
Outcome	Number of prohibited items found during screening	10,535	4,000	14,131	15,000
Outcome	Courtroom standbys	347	400	366	400

**Performance Measures Descriptions**

Courts include Courthouse, East County Courthouse, and the Justice Center. Data from the FSO statistics database.  
 \*\* This is a new data set that we will be tracking beginning in January. The data provided herein is averaged from several single days of data tracking over a one-month period, exclusively at the Courthouse. Once tracking begins, actual data will be compiled from all three facilities included in this program offer.

## Legal / Contractual Obligation

ORS 206.010 – General duties of sheriff ORS 206.210 – Authority of sheriff over organization of office ORS 206.345 – Contracts with cities; authority under contract  
ORS 166.360 thru 166.380 – Possession of firearms, examination of devices and firearms ORS 137.308 thru 137.309 – Assessment Contracts with Central Library & Parenting Education Class, & State Court Subsidy

## Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2019	2019	2020	2020
Personnel	\$1,241,684	\$698,498	\$1,096,089	\$691,484
Materials & Supplies	\$22,739	\$656	\$23,307	\$5,014
Internal Services	\$0	\$76,276	\$0	\$83,947
Capital Outlay	\$140,000	\$0	\$143,500	\$0
<b>Total GF/non-GF</b>	<b>\$1,404,423</b>	<b>\$775,430</b>	<b>\$1,262,896</b>	<b>\$780,445</b>
<b>Program Total:</b>	<b>\$2,179,853</b>		<b>\$2,043,341</b>	
<b>Program FTE</b>	10.60	6.00	8.60	6.00

Program Revenues				
Other / Miscellaneous	\$14,096	\$775,430	\$15,029	\$780,445
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$14,096</b>	<b>\$775,430</b>	<b>\$15,029</b>	<b>\$780,445</b>

## Explanation of Revenues

General Fund:

\$15,029 - Security Services for Parenting Classes (4.5 Hrs X 70 Classes X \$47.71)

Special Ops Fund:

\$780,445 - Court Revenues for Court Security Services. This amount is based on what was received during the first 5 months of Fiscal Year 2019.

## Significant Program Changes

**Last Year this program was:** FY 2019: 60415A-19 Facility Security - Courts

Reduced 2.0 FTE to meet constraint for FY20.