

Program #60415A - Facility Security - Courts

FY 2024 Department Requested

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Program Offer Type: Existing Program Offer Stage: Department Requested

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: In Target

Executive Summary

Members of the Facility Security Unit (FSU) serve as ambassadors of the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office (MCSO), and are often the first point of contact for persons accessing the Multnomah County Courthouse, Justice Center, Juvenile Justice Complex, and the East County Courthouse. Facility Security Officers (FSOs) serve as a primary source of information to the public and professional staff entering court facilities, and provide security screening to ensure safe access to all members of the community.

Program Description

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 members of the community 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 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 complexities of the judicial system. It is the priority of all FSOs to ensure each member of the community feels a sense of belonging when entering any court facility in Multnomah County.

The core functions of the FSU are public safety, emergency assistance, and providing information. The effectiveness of FSOs is demonstrated in the high number of community member contacts, and a large number of prohibited items detected during security screening.

The FSU has embarked on an intentional effort to align its operational mission with the agencies Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) goals by engaging with both the MCSO DEI Director and Multnomah County Organizational Learning. This work has started with the leadership team with the FSU and will cascade down through all staff assigned to the unit, ensuring our staff have the training and support they need to assist those they help each day in our community.

Performance Measures									
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY22 Actual	FY23 Budgeted	FY23 Estimate	FY24 Offer				
Output	Number of members of the public screened for entry	194,782	200,000	284,011	300,000				
Outcome	Number of employees/other agency staff screened	177,670	200,000	220,205	270,000				
Outcome	Number of prohibited items found during screening	6,997	7,000	8,100	9,000				
Outcome	Courtroom standbys	56	50	86	100				

Performance Measures Descriptions

Courts include the Courthouse, East County Courthouse, Justice Center, and the Juvenile Justice Complex. Data is from the FSO statistics database. NOTE: The court system has been experiencing drastically reduced in-person dockets due to COVID-affected operations, altering reportable statistics from normally reported levels. Increases shown here, though still lower than previous years, are a result of the court system beginning to resume more regular operations.

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

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Department Requested General Fund	Department Requested Other Funds
Program Expenses	2023	2023	2024	2024
Personnel	\$1,752,448	\$650,645	\$1,875,437	\$723,907
Materials & Supplies	\$22,412	\$6,149	\$28,000	\$6,149
Internal Services	\$0	\$92,392	\$0	\$92,392
Capital Outlay	\$143,500	\$0	\$150,000	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$1,918,360	\$749,186	\$2,053,437	\$822,448
Program Total:	\$2,667,546		\$2,875,885	
Program FTE	12.60	6.00	12.60	6.00

Program Revenues								
Other / Miscellaneous	\$5,670	\$749,186	\$7,117	\$822,448				
Total Revenue	\$5,670	\$749,186	\$7,117	\$822,448				

Explanation of Revenues

This program generates \$92,392 in indirect revenues.

General Fund: \$7,117 - Security Services for Parenting Classes (4.5 Hrs X 2 Classes X 12 months X \$65.89 FY 2024 avg. rate) Reference: PO 50052, M50 1516 JFCS, Fund 1516 Ledger 60440

Special Ops Fund: \$646,647 - HB2710, 2712, 5056; \$172,301 - HB5050; \$2,000 - Fairview Jail Assessments; \$1,500 - SB1065

Based on mid-year FY23 actual amounts collected.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2023: 60415A Facility Security - Courts