



Program #60555B - Additional Gun Dispossession Deputy FY 2025 Proposed

Department: Sheriff **Program Contact:** Carey Kaer
Program Offer Type: Operating **Program Offer Stage:** Proposed

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics: New Request, Backfill State/Federal/Grant, One-Time-Only Request

Executive Summary

The Multnomah County Sheriff’s Office (MCSO) Gun Dispossession program provides for countywide investigation of restraining order violations, specifically when the respondents do not comply by dispossessing themselves of their firearms. Since approximately 2015, MCSO has collaborated with the Portland Police Bureau, Multnomah County District Attorney’s Office, and the Multnomah County Circuit Court in enforcing the gun dispossession clause of restraining orders by working with both petitioners and respondents to gain compliance with the court orders.

Program Description

In 2011, a model surrender protocol was developed in a statewide domestic violence firearms task force, and this process is currently being utilized in Multnomah County. In January 2020, this protocol was extended to the other protection orders through an Oregon House of Representatives Bill, which include Stalking Orders, Sex Abuse Protection Orders, Disabled and Elder Abuse Protection Orders, and Family Abuse Protection Orders.

MCSO currently receives ongoing funding for one sergeant position to support gun dispossession as it pertains to these orders. MCSO has also received OTO funding for the past three budget years for two deputies to support the funded sergeant.

OTO funding for these additional deputies has had a dramatic impact on the County’s ability to dispossess firearms from subjects of applicable court orders. In 2020, with funding for only the single sergeant position, MCSO executed 40 dispossessions. With funding for two additional deputies, MCSO was able to conduct 357 dispossessions in 2022 and 554 in 2023. Ongoing funding is needed to preserve this important work.

Performance Measures

Measure Type	Performance Measure	FY23 Actual	FY24 Budgeted	FY24 Estimate	FY25 Target
Output	Number of dispossessed firearm cases investigated	473	475	375	400
Outcome	Number of firearms seized	357	325	544	350
Outcome	Number of cases presented to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution	30	45	30	20

Performance Measures Descriptions

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Adopted General Fund	Adopted Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2024	2024	2025	2025
Personnel	\$0	\$358,536	\$217,706	\$0
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$358,536	\$217,706	\$0
Program Total:	\$358,536		\$217,706	
Program FTE	0.00	2.00	1.00	0.00

Program Revenues				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$358,536	\$0	\$0
Total Revenue	\$0	\$358,536	\$0	\$0

Explanation of Revenues

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was:

Adding 1.00 FTE Law Enforcement Deputy positions.
 In FY 2024, this program was funded by one-time-only Federal American Rescue Plan (ARP) Direct County funding (60990).